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2	COVENTRY	WEST HAM	4
1	DERBY	LEICESTER	5
X	IPSWICH	LEEDS	6
1	LIVERPOOL	MIDDLESBRO'	7
X	LUTON	BIRMINGHAM	8
X	NEWCASTLE	STOKE	9
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1	WOLVES	CARLISLE	11
1	ASTON VILLA	BLACKPOOL	12
2	BRISTOL C.	SUNDERLAND	13
2	CARDIFF	WEST BROM.	14
1	HULL	BOLTON	15
1	MAN. UTD.	NOTTS. C.	16
X	MILLWALL	SOUTH'PTON	17
2	NOTT'M. FOR.	NORWICH	18
X	ORIENT	OLDHAM	19
1	OXFORD UTD.	SHEFF. WED.	20
2	PORTSMOUTH	FULHAM	21
1	YORK	BRISTOL R.	22
1	BOURNEM'TH	CRYSTAL P.	23
X	BURY	CHARLTON	24
X	CHESTERF'LD	BLACKBURN	25
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2	HALIFAX	SWINDON	27
2	HUDDERSF'LD	BRIGHTON	28
1	PETERBORO'	WATFORD	29
1	PORT VALE	PLYMOUTH	30
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1	BRADFORD C.	DONCASTER	34
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2	DARLINGTON	BARNSELY	37
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1	ROCHDALE	ROTHERHAM	41
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SOCCER POOLS TIPS

SOCCER POOLS

by Jock Stephen

SOCCER WEEK POOLS GUIDE FOR OCTOBER 12

First Division matches in England on 12th October appear so evenly balanced, that it would not surprise me if six of these games ended all square.

This would give our efforts a great boost, and it needs only three more draws to give any perm a top dividend.

Four of my teams favoured so far with draws are included: Luton, Orient, Torquay and Montrose.

Third Division have five likely draws, so no matter what your favourite permutation, take the eleven forecast draws in First and Third and add your choice of any of the others.

Arsenal are coming into the likely list, with the tag of a local derby to add zest to a close finish. Ipswich v Leeds would not have been considered but for the return of Bremner and Company, so Leeds should field a full strength side, and Ipswich appear to be coming back to the field, after a very good start.

My NAP BET will be Arsenal v Q.P.R., Ipswich v Leeds, Luton v Birmingham, Wrexham v Grimsby and Hartlepool v Torquay. Scottish First Division does not take my fancy with only six out of the nine matches listed on the coupon. Scottish Second Division could come up with three draws with Forfar v Stenhousemuir the more likely to succeed.

Good Luck

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ANSWERS TO POOLS QUERIES

Mr. D.S. of Diamond Bay Road, Vaucluse N.S.W.

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and there are two entries on each coupon. System One 40 cents. System Two \$1.25 cents. System Three \$3.20. System Four \$7.50. System Five \$16.00 and System Six \$32.00. Hoping this answers question Four. Lots of luck.

Mr. H.A. of Boundary Street, Paddington N.S.W.

Your long and interesting letter I assure you will please the Editor of Soccer Week, as it does give us all satisfaction to know that our efforts are being appreciated in Sydney, as well as here in Melbourne. I appreciated your S.A. Envelope for personal reply. The reply above to Mr. D.S. covers most of your enquiries, and I will forward details by circular. So, much success to you in finding the DRAWS.

BITS AND PIECES

I must tender an explanation re the "FRONT PAGE HEADLINE - V.A.S.P.A. SAYS 'NO' TO GIRL PLAYERS". This was a quotation from "Soccer News" of June 4th 1960 but unfortunately this fact was omitted in last week's issue. I regret the omission, but the article was written to draw attention to the modern thinking AND good work done by the organisers of today's Womens League, notably Fred Habbe, but he can't possibly be doing it on his own. So a ton of praise goes to all those who are active in that sphere.

Delving into the past, I came across the number one issue of "Soccer News and Views", dated Saturday 7th June 1947 produced by Mr V.J.M. Dixon. As a souvenir it is priceless, but we have come a long way since Mr Dixon's one man effort. Today's issue of "Soccer Week" gives you the lot, but I dip me lid to 'Dicko' for starting us off.

IN HOROSCOPIA

David Nish of Leicester City, born under the sign of LIBRA (September 24-October 23).

Librans are tactful and charming, but tend to dabble in things rather than settle down to one thing.

They are alert and affectionate and make very good friends.

They tend towards being perfectionists and

LONDON: Former Australian World Cup soccer star Adrian Alston helped his new side, Luton, to a 3-1 win over Carlisle on Saturday.

Alston scored a brilliant goal four minutes into the second half, sending Luton into the lead, 2-1.

Alston collected a pass, then beat three Carlisle defenders before netting.

The ex-Sydney player figured strongly in play although he missed three chances to score.

Bottom-of-the-ladder Luton's manager Harry Haslam said he was extremely pleased with Alston's performance.

The leaders in the English first division league Ipswich Town and Liverpool both lost on Saturday.

Ipswich, three points clear before Saturday's matches, went down 1-0 to Newcastle United.

Liverpool, the title favorite, ended a gloomy week by losing 1-0 to Sheffield United.

West Ham United, bottom of the table two weeks ago, beat Burnley 5-3. West Ham now has scored 20 goals in four months.

In Scotland Hibernian lost its unbeaten record - and leadership of the

first division - when beaten 1-0 by St. Johnstone.

Rangers hit six goals and Celtic five to take over the top two places.

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE:

Birmingham City 3, Arsenal 1; Burnley 3, West Ham United 5; Chelsea 0, Wolverhampton Wanderers 1; Everton 3, Leeds United 2; Leicester City 0, Coventry City 1; Luton Town 3, Carlisle United 1; Manchester City 1, Queens Park Rangers 0; Newcastle United 1, Ipswich Town 0; Sheffield United 1, Liverpool 0; Stoke City 1, Derby County 1; Tottenham Hotspur 1, Middlesbrough 2.

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO:

Bolton Wanderers 1, Notts County 1; Bristol Rovers 1, Blackpool 3; Cardiff City 1, Hull City 2; Millwall 1, Bristol City

0; Norwich City 2, Manchester United 0; Nottingham Forest 1, Sunderland 1; Oldham Athletic 1, Fulham 0; Orient 1, Sheffield Wednesday 0; Southampton 0, Aston Villa 0; West Bromwich Albion 3, Oxford United 0; York City 3, Portsmouth 0.

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE:

Brighton and Hove Albion 0, Bury 0; Colchester United 1, Walsall 2; Gillingham 1, Peterborough 1; Grimsby Town 2, Aldershot 0; Halifax Town 1, Port Vale 1; Hereford United 5, Chesterfield 0; Huddersfield Town 0, Crystal Palace 1; Preston North End 5, Bournemouth 2; Swindon Town 2, Watford 2; Wrexham 5, Plymouth Argyle 1.

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR:

Barnsley 2, Newport County 1; Bradford City 2, Stockport County 0; Brentford 1, Crewe Alexandra 0; Darlington 6, Cambridge United 0;

Doncaster Rovers 0, Rotherham United 0; Hartlepool 0; Swansea City 2; Lincoln City 3; Rochdale 3; Reading 4; Southport 1; Shrewsbury Town 5; Scunthorpe United 0; Workington 0, Exeter City 1.

SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE:

Aberdeen 1, Airdrieonians 0; Arbroath 0, Dumbarton 3; Celtic 5, Ayr United 3; Dundee United 1, Dunfermline Athletic 0; Hibernian 0, St Johnstone 1; Kilmarnock 0, Rangers 6; Morton 1, Clyde 0; Motherwell 0, Dundee 1; Partick Thistle 4, Hearts 1.

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO:

Albion Rovers 0, Stenhousemuir 0; Alloa 0, Hamilton Academicals 0; Berwick Rangers 2, Raith Rovers 1; Clydebank 2, Forfar Athletic 2; Cowdenbeath 5, Meadowbank Thistle 0; East Fife 1, East Stirling 1; Falkirk 3, Brechin City 1; Montrose 3, Stirling Albion 1; St Mirren 0, Queen of the South 5; Stranraer 0, Queens Park 0.

hate unfairness, being themselves very just.

The lucky stone is the Diamond.

THE EUROPEAN NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

The draw for the championship over the ensuing seventeen months is as follows:

Section 1. England, Czechoslovakia, Portugal, Cyprus.

Section 2. Luxembourg, Wales, Hungary, Austria.

Section 3. Sweden, Yugoslavia, Norway, Northern Ireland.

Section 4. Scotland, Rumania, Spain, Denmark.

Section 5. Holland, Poland, Italy, Finland.

Section 6. Russia, Turkey, Eire, Switzerland.

Section 7. Belgium, East Germany, France, Iceland.

Section 8. West Germany, Bulgaria, Greece, Malta.

The first fixture in the Championship took place at Helsinki on the 1st of September when Poland defeated Finland 2-1. Two games were played last week on 25th September. At Copenhagen, Denmark were defeated by Spain 1-2, and Finland were defeated by Holland 1-3 at Helsinki. It is interesting to note that most of the far northern countries get their matches in before the mid-winter period cancels all football.

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In my mail, I received a letter from Mr. H.A. of Boundary Street, Paddington N.S.W.

Amongst his queries on the Soccerpools, he makes these comments.

"For the past month I have been reading 'Soccer Week', which I find more enjoyable than any other Soccer Paper, because of the amount of photographs you include and also about the pools."

Thanks for your praise, we do intend to cover Australia with news from all round the globe.

Naturally our pools information will be the very best.

We will, of course, give you continuous weekly issues.

Here's a close finish.

It happened in 1927, when Manchester City and Portsmouth were running neck and neck for promotion to First Division. Manchester City were giving Bradford City the bottom team, kicking off fifteen minutes before the match between Portsmouth and Preston North End.

Portsmouth were leading by 4-1, when news came that Manchester City had won 8-0.

It was quickly established that Portsmouth needed one

more goal, which was duly scored, and Portsmouth won promotion by a two-hundredth of a goal.

First Division titleholders in West Germany for the past three years, Bayern Munich, have struck a slump this season.

With six matches played their record is: Won three - Lost three.

Apparently the transfer of Paul Breitner to Real Madrid during the close season has had more impact than originally thought. Still with five players from West Germany's World Cup team, one would not expect them to be lying eleventh in an eighteen-team league.

Their latest defeat was at the hands of Schalke by 2-0.

SCOTLAND'S KEY MAN NUMBER ONE

No Scottish team would seem complete these days if it did not contain Billy Bremner, the Leeds United captain.

What a season he had last year.

Not only did he lead his club to that record breaking run in the English First Division, but he took Scotland to the World Cup Finals for the first time in 16 years.

"I could not have wished to have a better skipper. Billy is the boss on the park and has complete control," says Scotland team manager Willie Ormond.

And no one is prouder of the red haired bundle of perpetual motion than his own boss Don Revie.

"Billy has grown up with Leeds and developed in stature along with the club."

He had the best season of his career," declares Revie.

Which is also true of his performances for Scotland. Bremner often involved physically on the field, has mellowed somewhat, although his latest exploit shocked many.

However in the broad sense, it takes two to tango and Billy never shirked an issue.

Apart from his enthusiasm and endless energy, Bremner is a born fighter. "He hates losing and refuses to give in no matter the odds. This is a quality that shows leadership" says Don Revie.

Billy himself was thrilled to play in the World Cup Finals.

"Many great Scottish internationals have never had the honour or thrill in taking part in the World Finals."

In the past Scotland have had wonderful individual players but somehow fallen short when it came to crunch matches... particularly in the World Cup Qualifiers" says Billy.

All Bremners playing days have been spent in England.

But no one is more nationalistic than Bremner, who went to Leeds straight from schools football in Stirlingshire.

Billy lives and breathes Scotland and has been a fantastic ambassador for his country.

Both he and his Scots boss Willie Ormond are small men with a common bond... complete dedication to Scotland's cause.

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ENGLISH SOCCER

By STEPHEN LUBOFSKY

Well, the 1974-75 Soccer Season in England has finally got under way, but unfortunately the scene isn't too bright.

Violence is gripping many matches, and is causing many headaches for the English F.A.

With only seven matches having been played, the London Clubs are firmly placed at the bottom of the English Division One table, together with LEEDS UNITED and COVENTRY CITY.

The main focus seems to be in the Mid East, with MANCHESTER UNITED heading Division II, and LIVERPOOL placed second in Division I.

In the First Division so far it has been a season of many shocks, with the transfer market going wild.

IPSWICH head Division one, and must be without a doubt the most improved side of the seventies.

With young stars such as KEVIN BEATTIE, TREVOR WHYMARK, MICK MILLS, COLIN VILJOEN, they look certain to win their first major trophy for a considerably long time.

LIVERPOOL certainly haven't suffered since the departure of famous manager BILL SHANKLY.

Under new manager BOB PAISLEY, they have already won the F.A. Charity Shield at the start of the season.

They have a star studded team still playing well after last seasons F.A. Cup triumph.

KEVIN KEEGAN, PHIL BOERSMA, EMLYN HUGHES, and new 200,000 signing RAY KENNEDY from Arsenal, things are rosy for them at this early stage.

MANCHESTER CITY AND STOKE CITY have also started the 1974-75 season off well.

Manchester City are a side packed with internationals.

RODNEY MARSH, COLIN RELL, FRANCIS LEE, MIKE SUMMERBEE, are playing tremendously well and should win an honour this season. Stoke City are continuing from where they left off last season, on the winning trail.

The two promoted sides CARLISLE and MIDDLESBOROUGH managed by the famous Jackie Charlton have started off remarkably well.

BURNLEY and QUEENS PARK RANGERS, the two surprise promoted teams of last term have commenced this season rather sluggishly, but should pick up their best form as the season progresses.

Both these teams have an amazing amount of talent.

The shock of the season seems to be on LEEDS UNITED, last seasons League Champions, and the London Clubs. Last season Leeds went 29 matches undefeated, but this season haven't even

won half of their matches played. What are the reasons for this?

Firstly their brilliant manager DON REVIE has left to take up the position left vacant by Sir ALF RAMSEY as Manager of England. His position was given to that controversial character and ex-manager of DERBY COUNTY and BRIGHTON, BRIAN CLOUGH.

He immediately made his mark by bringing for near record transfers DUNCAN MCKENZIE from NOTTINGHAM FOREST FOR 300,000 pounds.

And ex-BURNLEY captain MARTIN DOBSON for a fee around 350,000 pounds. This, I believe has greatly unsettled the side, and together with BILLY BREWER, NORMAN HUNTER, and ALAN CLARKE all under suspension from the beginning of the season, has caused Leeds to falter at this early stage. By the way BRIAN CLOUGH was recently sacked as Leeds manager for the clubs lack of success this season. The other shock of this term is the performance of the London Clubs in Division One.

CHELSEA QUEENS PARK RANGERS ARSENAL, WEST HAM UNITED, and TOTTENHAM HOTSPURS.

All these teams are situated on the bottom half of Division One.

Last seasons losing V.E.F.A. Cup Finalists, SPURS are fifth bottom, with West Ham firmly rooted at the bottom of the table.

Why are these teams doing so poorly, as both have a tremendous amount of skill?

Spurs, with players such as PAT JENNINGS, supposedly the world's No. 1 goalkeeper, JOHN PRATT, STEVE PERRYMAN, MARTIN PETERS, Captain of England, should be doing far better.

A good example of their failure this season was their 4-0 trouncing by MIDDLESBOROUGH promoted last season.

West Ham have players such as, the brilliant young goalkeeper MERVYN DAY, FRANK LAMPARD, BILLY BONDS, and TREVOR BROOKING.

These teams should be doing far better. The three other London clubs CHELSEA, ARSENAL and Q.P.R. who also have a bundle of skill, have started off badly also, but with some luck should finish the season on a higher note. LUTON TOWN, the other newly promoted club are in the relegation zone. But they have put on some fine performances, with new signing ADRIAN

"NODDY" ALSTON from Australia playing some electrifying football.

In Division II just relegated MANCHESTER UNITED and NORWICH CITY are leading the table. The best supported club in the world, United are far to good to be in Division II and are still undefeated in - eight matches.

With players such as MARTIN BUCHAN, JIM HOLTON, and WILLY MORGAN, all of whom played in all of Scotland's world cup matches, new 180,000 pound signing JIM DALY scoring regularly, and other stars in the English Under-23 side, things are going remarkably well.

NORWICH CITY who finished at the bottom of Division I, are playing very consistently and placed second.

FULHAM, another very famous London club are making another bid for promotion, and doing well. With ex-England captain, and record cup winner BOBBY MOORE adding his experience, things look good for the famous Craven Cottage Club.

SUNDERLAND, still haven't lived up to their expectations after that F.A. Cup victory in 1972-73. They have a lot of good players and should be leading Division II.

BRISTOL ROVERS who visited Melbourne in the close-season, and were beaten by the Victorians are doing well in their first season in Division II. They are placed around the middle of the table and playing consistently.

The biggest question being asked now, is "What has happened to SOUTHAMPTON who finished the highest of those relegated last season?"

With 2 brilliant strikers MIKE CHANNON who is at present in the England team, and PETER OSGOOD, things should be going better.

They also have a tremendous up and coming goalkeeper MIKE TURNER who should be getting far better support.

How long will these players be played or be prepared to play with a club starved of success for so long.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY, the once famous Hillsborough Club are placed at the bottom of the Division.

It would be a great pity if this famous club are relegated?

In Division III SOUTHEND lead the table.

But surely the biggest shock is the return from retirement of "Mr Football", the most loved footballer in the world, ex-MANCHESTER UNITED and England captain BOBBY CHARLTON, who has come out of retirement to help his club, PRESTON NORTH END regain their place in Division II after being relegated last season.

They are placed second and playing very

CATS CORNER (INSIDE THE GAME)

MIKE O'HARA, Slavia's

No. 1 goalkeeper and strong contender for the Victorian team, delivers this weekly report.



Strikers are "worth their weight in gold" or so the old saying goes and it is true in that goals are what spectators expect to see and unless they are coming thick and fast, supporters will not venture out of their homes to watch matches.

Strikers, however, in Victoria are rare commodities and "Ace" goalscorers are not prevalent in Melbourne. As a goalkeeper it is easy for me to see a dangerous marksman and not only that, the marksman needs good support in order to use his potential fully. With this in mind I have listed the best strikers in order of merit.

1. Frank Donachie (Alexander) 2. Jimmy Armstrong (Hellas) 3. Mike Clarey (Hakoah) 4. Paul Murphy (George Cross) 5. Bobby Kent (Slavia) 6. Ian Gibson (Alexander).

That's the end of the list for me, as no other player has consistently looked dangerous in goalmouth situations where goalchances were possible. Ian Gibson, of course, is not a No. 9 type striker but that is in fact his role when it comes to putting the finishing touch to anything that might come his way.

Rank Donachie is the best all rounder of the six, he is brave, quick and can finish with alarming accuracy. He arrived a year too late in Australia otherwise his selection in the Australian Munich team would have been automatic.

Jimmy Armstrong whom I have known, personally since his early days with Hakoah, has become a gentleman player and lacks that desire to "kill" in respect of going in hard for every ball.

As a family man, of course, his interests are not solely on Soccer, but if he could regain this attitude he once had, Jimmy would be netting two a game.

Mike Clarey is the forgotten man as far as Tony Boggi is concerned. Mike is big, strong and a handful at anytime. He is the only player this season who has given the run around to "Stretch" McCombe, the Slavia (and recently selected for Victorian Squad) centre back. Clarey is so nimble for a big heavy player it is hard to believe he is out of the goalscoring feats this season.

The Hakoah attitude of players this season has been their own downfall!

Well, what has happened to CRYSTAL PALACE?

Only two seasons ago they were playing in Division I, but after very dismal performances are placed 9th in the Third Division.

Let's hope they find success soon.

In Division IV MANSFIELD TOWN are leading the table and are still the only team in all four divisions still undefeated, and playing excellently.

In Scotland, CETTICS strangehold in Scottish soccer over the past nine

Mike has not been given the service to finish what he is capable of. Put him in the Mooroolbark No. 9 shirt and the red-whites would be in the top 6.

Paul Murphy is the typical "fightin' Irishman". Paul can become a better player by toning down his "wild spasms" and getting on with the game. His behind the play efforts do not in anyway assist Paul from showing his brilliant finishing skills.

Bobby Kent my own team mate at Slavia is a one man army. Aged 24, Swansea Schoolboy representative, 25 first team appearances with Cardiff City and Victorian Squad player versus L.K.S. (Poland) in January, Bobby has been left on the Slavia front line like a "shag on a rock".

He has absolutely no support at all and every credit to him for making the Victorian squad. His goalscoring potential with a team like Hellas or George Cross would be phenomenal. His swiftness of foot and power-packed shots are a constant headache for opposition "keepers".

Ian Gibson is a wonderful player and one who would walk into my team. He is the most courageous player I have played against and if there was a prize for "running your guts out" for 90 minutes, Ian would back peddle home!

Finishing with the most goals at the end of the season is certainly big deal if only for the fact that a \$1000 cheque awaits the winner, but this statistic does not necessarily mean the best player wins the money.

In my view the award is an incredible bungle and should be shared between the team who score the

years and nine championships, could be over.

Hibernian, the famous Edinburgh club lead Scottish Division I followed by famous Rangers and Celtic, but they have started off badly this season.

Well that's the English soccer season up to date, and I hope you have enjoyed reading my first article.

Any questions you have on soccer "up-top", just write to me care of the paper you are now reading.

That's all for now.

most number of goals. Amateur thinking by well meaning sponsors!

The fact that a Victorian team is picked by one man leaves much to be desired in my opinion, here again its a question of not what you know but who you know! I am not referring to my own omission. Many exciting youngsters should have been included in the squad so as to give them top line experience for future fixtures. Relying on past performances of early matches is poor excuse when a player is not in form but still gets a place.

Obviously Tony Boggi is not picking players who have worked well and played consistently, he is taking the easy way out and picking name players — whose reputations will possibly draw bigger gates and of course, bring in to the V.S.F. more "bread". Irrespective of results the younger talent should be given the opportunity to show what they can do. In fairness to Mr. Boggi however, he must have had a real brainwashing from many circles as to "who should be in the squad."

"A Criminal Act" was committed by Prahran Slavia when Alan Copeland a top class left full back was "sent to Coventry" never to return to Soccer anywhere in the world. This was a factual occurrence in the latter part of last season.

The Victorian Soccer Federation are "whipping boys" in this case and all concerned with the incident of keeping a young Scottish player out of the game, when that game is his lifesblood want railing to a cross and dropping headfirst into the deepest part of the Yarra! Some people involved in the incident just cannot have consciences!

THE Yarra!! Some people involved in the incident just cannot have consciences!

How many of you soccer fans will know the name Marshall McCallum? He has been with Prahran Slavia since 1970 and has been in and out of the team like a Yo-Yo. Marshall is a good, consistent, club man and is keen to leave the Slavia Set-up.

At 26 years of age, McCallum is good value for money and his versatility in a defensive role renders him an asset to

any team Coach.

McCallum played semi-professional Soccer in Britain, with Troor and Hurlford, and Barrow. The irony of the McCallum story is that he was Slavia's best and fairest player last season! McCallum is the type of player a Club like Mooroolbark could well do with.

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Anyone in Melbourne who know anything about Greece or Athletics there, will remember Stephan Polatidis. Stephan, now 34 was one of the best 5,000 metre runners Greece ever produced. He holds the record for 5,000 metres to the present time when in 1958 he ran at the HRISAKE Stadium, O.M.F., Greece.

Stephen is a fully qualified masseur and has had soccer experience with Olympiakos (Piraeus) with whom he played 20 first team games. Sephan's services to the game here in Melbourne have been with Hakoah and Slavia. An unassuming small man in stature, Stephan is without doubt one of the best masseur-physiotherapist trainers in the game. Stephan will return to Greece soon but we all hope his return to Melbourne will not be too far away.

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Prahran Slavia are "building an army" for the 1975 Season. Mr. John Oliphant the "Supreme Saviour" of the Slavia Club is in the United Kingdom to buy 12 new players, or so the story goes. Rumour has it that Mr. Oliphant is banking on a squad of 30 players for the 1975 campaign, to win the State League Premiership.

One question arouses much curiosity and that is, "with what are these players going to be paid?" It is possible of course that the new arrivals in the country, not knowing the local currency could be paid with beads or matchsticks as the Indians were in the late 1900's by the U.S. Cavalry.

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One referee who really "Kills Me" Geoffrey Harrison the "local constabulary" policeman. I have been on the same field as Geoff for the odd game and his antics and use of the English language are top Class. He is the only referee who would win a vauderville audition without trying!

Despite all of this, he knows his game and does not let any minor mishap go unnoticed, only the big ones!

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Next week will see the 1975 Victorian State Team plus reserves for the coming clash with the speedy Polish club L.K.S. written in my article. I hazard a guess that my elections will definitely make the side. The depth of talent in Victoria is gaining strength each year and with a top level administrator could become the major sport inside five years.

FOOTNOTE: To All Clubs, give Alan Copeland a game of football in 1975!

THE BALLY WITH LEN STONE

Len Stone reports from England

STARS DROPPED AS ITALY REBUILD

GIANNI RIVERA and Sandro Mazzola, who have set the pattern of Italian international football for nearly ten years, have been dropped by their country.

Newly appointed coach Fulvio Bernardini, trying to build a new squad after Italy's first round elimination in the World Cup, has made several changes for the match against Yugoslavia in Zagreb.

Mazzola, captain of Internazionale Milan who has played 70 internationals, said: "Bernardini is seeking a new team with a new kind of play and apparently there is no longer room for me."

Roberto Boninsegna, veteran forward of Internazionale, replaces striker Giorgio Chinaglia and Gigi Riva, who is in dispute with his club, is also omitted.

Unreal opinion says that Italian football is largely responsible for the defensive tactics which are currently strangling the game in England.

Yet, it is from the same source that the financial salvation of British soccer could emerge in the not-too-distant future.

That's the view of Arsenal chairman Dennis Hill-Wood, reflected in a probe into the state of soccer.

"All around and inside London, we have falling gates — and I blame defensive football. The trend spread to this country a few years ago after the success of Italian teams.

"But there is another somewhat ironic side to the coin. Fans will always flock to see a winning side. And if Arsenal had to play defensive football to be successful, then I would have to back it, though not willingly."

But Mr Hill-Wood doesn't see total gloom where Italian soccer is concerned. He thinks that in the future we may have to copy them once again.

"Falling gates mean falling revenue, and in the future, if the trends continue, we will have to take appropriate measures. Cutting down on playing staff, for instance.

"And we have to look to the Italian idea of clubs in big cities sharing stadiums, as is the case in Milan, Arsenal and Spurs, the two Sheffield's and even the two Manchester's, could do this in the future."

LEN STONE REPORTING FROM EUROPE

Austrian soccer has undergone drastic surgery since England

themselves they will be more positive and make things happen rather than waiting for directions from me for things to happen".

England's new Manager, Don Revie, was studying the great Hungarian side especially Nador Hidegkuti in the 1954 World Cup on T.V. repeatedly.

Manchester City Manager, Les McDowall decided to have a deep-lying centre-forward, with Revie in the key role.

He discussed it with Revie and the other players in order to obtain their frank views and approval of the tactics. Revie said 'The plan could not just be imposed.

Everyone had to agree and work together to make it go.

It was the only way it could succeed".

German football, like their counterparts in England, are losing some of its fans.

While the main problem in Britain is hooliganism the German reason is inadequate facilities.

There is a lack of terrace cover, pillars blocking the view, poor refreshments and insufficient toilets.

All things being equal the British follower does not worry about these aspects — he has never been used to any better.

In the big German cities the floating follower goes where he will be most comfortable, gets a reasonable view of the game, tasty refreshments, which are important factors in the modern German way of life but they do like their football and big matches at present.

outdraw equivalent big matches in Britain as far as the number of spectators are concerned.

Read Madrid were also back to a big crowd last weekend with 94,000 watching their 2-0 win over Hercules. It was Read Madrid at its best.

They started the season by winning away to Valencia, a game in which West German star Gunter Netzer got his first league goal in Spain after failing to score all last season.

Real's latest German signing Paul Breitner from Munich switched to a midfield role for his new Club, also scoring against Hercules. This put the former European champions in first place with CP Barcelona and Athletic Madrid both having dropped points.

Delighted Real Madrid fans are giving the credit to new Manager, Miljan Miljanic, the Yugoslav boss in the World Cup now known as 'El General'.

Alfredo Di Stefano, old time Real Madrid star, is out of a job again after being sacked by

Valencia last season.

He spent August on tour with Portuguese champions Sporting Lisbon, but after their first league game he quit.

He accepted no money and hedged about signing a contract and the official explanation from Sporting is that he felt that the players were unco-operative.

Incidentally Alfredo Di Stefano is a very rich man.

Russian football is still going through a critical period and the USSR soccer FA admitted defeat in their bid to promote more attacking play when they scrapped the "no draw" rule of 1973.

After drawn matches, penalties decided the result and only the team scoring most penalties got a league point for the draw. It was an unreal situation.

Zenith Leningrad emphasised the difficulties of changing attitudes in the game by occupying second place in the current championship which is reaching its climax.

Zenith struggled to avoid relegation last year when they drew 12 games, but were unable to score from penalties and gained 3 points instead of the normal 12.

Manager, German Zonin goes on with his defensive policy and this season Zenith are second in the league after 21 games, having drawn 13 times, which could be a record for drawn matches.

As far as discipline on the field is concerned, there are no problems in Russia and crowds are knowledgeable and well behaved.

Many youngsters play soccer and factory teams are so numerous that the government is hard pressed to find football grounds for all of the would be players.

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2000 COACHES A YEAR — WORTHINGTON'S AIM

By JOHN MARTIN

ACTION at last! Australia's national director of coaching, Eric Worthington, has put his plan into operation to produce the finest team of coaches Australia has ever known.

For months there has been widespread criticism of the Englishman who was brought here by Rothmans to help improve our soccer. Many have said it was a waste of money because there was little to see from his efforts.

But Worthington has been going about his task in a quiet way. He's already visited Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria, Tasmania and Queensland and this lone crusader is winning more and more followers to his method of coaching the coaches.

Worthington has shown the way. His idea is to coach and for it to be passed on to others.

Over the past few months in a cool calculating and proficient way he has slowly but surely but his Blue Print into action.

He's flown thousands of miles and set up various headquarters to put his plan into progress.

Most of the States that he's visited are in the process of advertising for a State director of coaching who will work in close liaison with him.

His biggest problem seems to be to explain the duties of the State Director. Many uninformed people disagree that these State Directors fully justify the big proposed salaries that will be paid to them.

To put it in a nut shell their main task will be to train teachers and coaches who will be responsible for teaching and coaching players at all levels.

Worthington plans to have at least 2,000 coaches qualifying each year. This staggering figure is no dream but a reality and one that is

quickly turning Worthington "the quiet man" into one of soccer's top action men.

His biggest problem seems to be New South Wales which he has yet to tackle.

He left his assault on this State until last.

Not that New South Wales administrators have been a hindrance or have put obstacles in Worthington's way, but at present soccer in this State is undergoing a difficult period.

Worthington is expected to conduct a senior coaching course, similar to the one he held at Melbourne University, at the University of New South Wales next month.

The Victorian Soccer Federation have already advertised overseas for their State Director of Coaching and it is hoped an appointment will be made early in the new year.

As well as coaching the coaches certain junior officials hope that this man will pass on some of his knowledge in various clinics set up throughout the Metropolitan area.



Ringwood United Ladies Committee, Back Row (left to right) — Ann Bakker, Carole Simpson, secretary, Margaret Bakker, treasurer, Jean Frost, Judy Supple, Joan Ireland and Edwina Stewart. Front Row (left to right) — Linda Casey, Maria Frost, Phyl Ryan, Nell Van De Linde, president, and Chris Neuhofer.

ACTION SHOT



ABOVE: In the Alexander versus Polonia game we see Racovalis a 'Head' in front of a Polonia player for the ball — photo John Krutop.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

By FRED HABBE

It was Lesley's Day. In an amazing recovery, after being two goals down at half-time, Melton fought its way back with two courageous goals by speedy winger Lesley Brett and the side went on to win the first ever Victorian Women's championship when Jeannette Melvin thundered home the winning goal during extra time in last Sunday's Grand Final between Melton and Greensborough at Wembley Park, Box Hill.

It will be a match that the tall, blond and extremely fast Lesley Brett won't forget for some time. Beating two defenders to a through ball with her enormous speed, Lesley had a flying shot at goal, the ball rebounded off Boro keeper Monika Werner, Lesley picked it up again in full flight to push it over the line. Melton was back in the game. Again it was Lesley putting her side onto the winning track. In what can only be called a freak the Melton winger copped a clearance kick by Monika Werner from point blank range on the head, the blast knocking her out cold, but unbelievably, the ball rebounded in a high arc over Monika's head into goal, and the scores were all even.

Lesley, unaware of the result of her courageous action, took a few minutes to recover, but was none the happier when she realised it had been more than worth it.

Earlier in the first half Greensborough seemed to run away with the game after two fatal blunders by Melton keeper Gwen Ball had given the side a dominating two goal lead. When a further goal by Betty Hoar was disallowed by referee Delange for alleged dangerous play, it wasn't given any further thought. Too certain seemed a Greensborough victory.

Shona Bass, until then not her usual self, was the centre of the action when the Greens scored the lead. Shona dribbled her way through the Melton defence, beating both Ann Bell and Kay Morley. Keeper Gwen Ball with a chance to intercept, ran out but missed and Shona pushed the ball into an empty goal.

Up to that stage Melton had had the better of play and were unlucky not to be in front. A bullet-like shot from close range in the opening minutes of the game by Jeannette Melvin crashed against the post, and Colleen Phillips failed to push the rebounding ball over the line.

2-0 WITHIN TWO MINUTES

It seemed to be all over for Melton when Greensborough, within two minutes of the 1-0 goal, broke through again, this time by Betty Hoar who beat Carolyn Thompson and shot low and hard. Keeper Gwen Ball appeared to have the shot covered. To the horror of her teammates, however, she allowed the ball to slip past her over the line.

Greensborough's confidence was riding high while Melton's morale was seemingly rattled. The beginning of the 2nd half saw waves of attacks rolling towards the Melton goal where Gwen Ball created almost heart failures among Melton supporters with her nervous fumbling of the ball.

With desperate defending, led by Kay Morley, Melton overcame the pressure period, and when Lesley Brett slammed home the first of her two goals the

match suddenly became a thriller.

JEANNETTE SEALS IT

Melton had the advantage of the breeze in the first half of extra-time and pushed Greensborough into the defensive. Under pressure, Greensborough gave away a corner-kick. Jeannette received the short kick just outside the edge of the penalty box, turned and with a mighty left foot kick she despatched the ball towards goal. Despite the angle no one in the Boro defence could stop the rocket like shot. A last desperate attempt by Barbara Werner resulted only in a deflection that left sister Monika in goals no earthly chance.

The turnabout of events was too much for the young Greensborough side who could not force its way back into the game during the dying minutes and by the final whistle Melton were the Victorian Champions 1974, a historic title as it is the first ever women's soccer championship in this state.

A triumph for the Phoenix side, Melton. The team went through 15 championship matches this year undefeated and fully deserves the title of the best Victorian team.

ANDREA OUTSTANDING

It took Greensborough mid-field motor Andrea Martin a few minutes to settle down.

But then she got control of her opponent, Jeannette Melvin, and things were mighty tough from then on for Jeannette. With some brilliant slide-in tackles, good timing and control, Andrea dominated the field. Ironically as it was Jeannette finished up laughing in the end, however, when she hammered home the winning goal from a harmless looking situation.

Not only because of her two fantastic goals but also for some fine technical ability and particularly for her phenomenal speed Lesley Brett must get the credit on the day.

Her runs down the middle or the wings were a treat and it certainly wasn't just co-incidence that Lesley finished up scoring two.

Kay Morley matures

more and more into the centre-half position. Again she played an outstanding game last Sunday. Kay has started as a winger, then went as a wing-half. When she was put into the centre-half position in the Victorian team by coach Langdale, she impressed so much that she's been playing in that position for her club ever since.

Young Carolyn Thompson who plays a similar type of game to Kay Morley, shows signs of class. With a bit more experience and expert coaching she looks State material.

14-year-old winger Bronwyn Phillips seems to know every technical trick of the game but lacks the shooting power. Give Bronwyn a few steaks and one better watch out for her.

Her sister Coleen, normally besides Jeannette the most dangerous striker in the Melton side, missed a few on Sunday and generally did not quite reach her peak.

MONIKA'S SHOWING CLASS

A near faultless performance by the young Boro keeper frustrated many a Melton attack.

Monika can read a game exceptionally well which enables her to be in the right position at the right time. She can not be blamed for the 2nd goal by Melton. Hitting Lesley Brett's head when clearing the ball probably as much chance as Paul Hogan giving up his Aussie accent.

SHONA CAN'T GET THROUGH

None other than fellow state player Kay Morley made life hard for Shona Bass. Well checked on every movement Shona was hardly allowed to get into shooting positions, however, she succeeded with one of her runs that got her side the 1-0 lead.

Greensborough full-back Penny Ball was the only player with a reasonable chance to hold "Speedy Gonzales" Lesley Brett.

Penny, probably the fastest in her side, on several occasions just stopped Lesley from breaking clear. Together with Jan Sneddon, Penny formed a formidable back-line that gave the Melton attack a few problems.

IT COULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED TO A BETTER TEAM

Melton's undefeated run in the championship, their close defeat in the Association Cup final, their tremendous hospitality and their true sportsmanship have made them most popular among opposition players and supporters alike, and it didn't surprise to see the majority of the crowd last Sunday fully behind the Phoenix side. Similar were the comments after

the game. "It couldn't have happened to a better team", was the general opinion.

SEASON 1974 IS OVER

The first season of the Victorian Women's

soccer Association has had ups and downs, but it certainly proved one thing, and that is it put women's soccer on the map as an accepted sport. Gone are the days of giggles and laughs

when women's soccer was mentioned. The media has fully accepted the sport, and events are given appropriate mentions in newspapers, on TV and Radio. For the records:

Champions 1974: Melton Association Cup Winners: Green Gully, West Division Champions: Melton East Division Champions: Doveton.

MELTON WOMEN'S SOCCER CLUB
- 1974 CHAMPIONS

ACTION SHOTS



STANDING FROM LEFT: Coach Bill Smith, Gwen Ball, Carolyn Thompson, Ann Bell, Adrienne Payne, Kay Morley, Jean Denham, Bronwyn Phillips, Margaret Smith (First Aid), Jerry Morley, (Coach), Front Row: Trudy Reissmann, Jeannette Melvin, Lesley Brett, Coleen Phillips, Carol Marshall, Rose Bradley, Jean Timms, Allison Smith.



Betty Hoar, (2nd from right, light shirt) was the shooter, and Melton Keeper Gwen Ball makes a fatal blunder to let the ball slip between her and the post into the back of the net. Kay Morley (centre) tries in vain to prevent the damage from happening. Next to Betty Hoar (Carolyn Thompson, Melton.)



Andrea Martin of Greensborough in full control of the situation.



Shona Bass of Greensborough exercises some fine ball control as she shields the ball from Melton's Jean Denham (covered).



Shona Bass, (left white shirt) is past Melton keeper Gwen Ball, (2nd from left) and about to push the ball over the line. Kay Morley and Ann Ball (striped shirts from left) are too late. Betty Hoar (Greensborough, light shirt at right) closely watches the situation as she runs in.



One of the few duels Jeannette Melvin (striped shirt) won against Andrea Martin (Greensborough). Coleen Phillips (left, striped shirt) follows up, while Rosemary McNeill (behind Jeannette in light shirt) tries to help out.

ACTION SHOTS

GREENSBOROUGH WOMEN'S SOCCER CLUB - Runners-Up 1974



STANDING: Monika Werner, Barbara Werner, Jan Sneddon, Linda Pearce, Joan Ball, Andrea Martin, Penny Ball, Rosemary McNeill, Mick Hoar (Coach).
FRONT ROW: Betty Hoar, Shona Bass, Sandra Kemp, Jackie Plester, Liz Webster, Debbie Beard.



MELTON centre-half Kay Morley here caught in full flight while hooking the ball out of the danger zone.



A brilliant slide-in tackle by Greensborough's Andrea Martin (light shirt) once again robs Melton Striker Jeannette Melvin.

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CUPHOLDERS IN SEMI-FINAL

Although producing outstanding entertainment, with three out of four close finishes, the Federation Cup did not produce any surprise results in last Saturday's quarter-final round.

Waverley City put up a great fight against Preston, the cup holders, but lacked that little extra required to overcome a side of Preston's obvious class.

At Donvale Reserve, it was a different story.

Heidelberg, from Third Division, fought hard, but at no stage of the game appeared likely to hold the First Division side from Selwyn Park.

This game was scheduled for Hawker Street but the ground is being prepared for cricket and was not available.

Selwyn Park is also out of action, because the Sunshine Council have dug it up, to put in new drainage and so Doncaster Rovers made their ground available.

The rough and sloping surface was not conducive to good Soccer, but the difference in class of the two sides was evident right from the start.

THIRD DIVISION DUEL

Bayswater finally settled on Wembley Park for their game with Park Rangers.

The team which gained promotion faced the club they pipped for the honour and the Middle Park side gained some revenge by downing the Eastern Suburbs side by a single second half goal.

It was a dour contest which could have gone either way.

Bayswater had their chances but greater steadiness, under pressure, paid off for Park Rangers and they made their first appearance in the semi-final of any knockout competition, for 26 years.

In the remaining game, the difference in class, between First and Third Divisions was again highlighted.

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SEMI-FINAL CHANCES

The semi-finals will be held as a double header, at Kim Reserve, Altona, on Saturday.

Albion Rovers face Preston at 1 o'clock in a battle which should have the fans on their toes, from the first whistle.

Both teams play cultured Soccer and the result could go either way.

However, there are a number of factors which could influence the outcome.

Friday night is the Albion presentation night.

If the administration

is not strong enough to make sure the players leave at a reasonable hour, or the players lack the dedication to discipline their indulgence, it could have the effect of a mortal blow to Albion's cup hopes.

Weather, too, could affect matters.

Albion are a much better wet weather side and Preston prefer a dry ground.

All things considered, I think Preston will earn the right to appear in the final, for the second year running.

The 2.45 game between Park Rangers and Frankston City will be another footballing delight.

On paper, a First Division side ought to beat one from the Third Division, but it just doesn't always work out that way in sudden death competitions.

Park Rangers are playing extremely good Soccer and have settled into a winning vein which could raise them to a level which might upset the peninsula boys.

Frankston should have beaten Brighton by more than a goal, but their forwards were sadly off target.

If they follow the same pattern on Saturday, they could be in trouble.

On balance, I think Frankston will win, but I do not rule out a shock.

One recalls that last year, Rangers played Frankston in an earlier round of the Federation Cup, at Seaford Reserve, and eliminated the First Division boys by the only goal of the game.

QUARTER FINAL MATCH REPORTS

Waverley City 2, Preston 3.

In a tremendous first half, four goals, thrills galore and plenty of top class Soccer, gave the crowd full value for money.

Waverley supporters went wild with delight in the tenth minute when Sammy Jordan demonstrated his goal grabbing technique.

Albert Harrison, who played a great role in Preston's eventual victory, stood on the ball as he attempted to clear and in darted Jordan, to gleefully slam it into the net.

Some minutes later, Preston showed their class as they coolly levelled the scores, following a well taken free-kick, by Tommy Fox.

The ball floated over from the right, for Billy McIntyre to rise and head it into the net, well

out of the reach of Newton Wynne.

OPPORTUNIST

In the twentieth minute, Jordan was on hand again to take advantage of another defensive slip, proving once again that he is one of the best opportunist's in the game.

Ted Quy, Sandy Bruce and Dave Russell fought with tremendous spirit to hold out the rampant Preston forwards, but Vlade Kotowski raced down the wing, ten minutes before the interval and crossed accurately for Geoff Grannon to sweep the ball into the net, making the interval score 2-2.

THE BELL PARK STORY IS HELD OVER UNTIL NEXT WEEK DUE TO SHORTAGE OF SPACE

SECOND HALF

As the game restarted, Preston immediately turned on the pressure and it gradually became obvious that the first division side carried too many guns for the home side.

Wynne brought off a magnificent save from a Fox drive from thirty yards.

Billy Spliers hit a post and Ian Reid was having a battle royal with Quy. Dave McCourt, Peter Whitehurst, Eddie Smith and Dave Fearn combined to give Steve Trajanowski and Martinov some anxious moments.

With eight minutes left, Reid, McIntyre and Fox had Waverley's defence in a tangle and Reid forced the ball home for what proved to be the winning goal.

Three minutes from the end, Whitehurst blazed high over the bar when well placed, but Preston were good value for their victory.

Bayswater 0, Park Rangers 1.

For half an hour, Rangers threatened to overwhelm Bayswater, but a combination of inaccurate finish and desperate defence kept Billy Ashton, Roy Slater and Eddie Cassidy out.

John Clemie was responsible for setting up many attacks and Neil Robertson went near with a couple of fine efforts.

As the half wore on, Bayswater's attack, spearheaded by Graham Fedor and Alan Jackson, began to take over.

Fedor in particular gave Ralph Crowley a hot time and from one spectacular run, a cross found Mark Weston, whose twenty five yards drive crashed against the cross-bar, with Payne well beaten.

Chris Payne brought off a good save when Fedor broke through and

shot hard and low.

Much of the battle took place in mid-field and honours were fairly even in the first half.

Bayswater took up where they left off, in the second half, but missed chances. Les Davis let loose an angled drive which flashed narrowly wide, but Rangers showed their talent by fighting back and pressuring Bayswater's defence.

Derek Shackleford worked overtime in defence and overlapping in attack and Matt Van De Laak gave good support.

Dennis Broom had a great battle with Rangers danger man Billy Ashton and broke even.

Fedor, nursing a damaged ankle, went off and Bayswater brought on Barney Jensen, essentially a defender, in a surprise substitution. There were signs of panic in Bayswater's defence when mercurial Eddie Cassidy darted down the left wing in lightning flashes.

WINNING GOAL

From a free-kick, John Clemie got the ball across and one defender hit a teammate as he tried to clear.

Another defender did the same thing and the ball ran loose for Cassidy to pick his spot from no more than eight yards range.

Ziggy Mnich, in the home goal, had no chance.

From then until the end, Bayswater struggled to level matters, but Paul Ginty, Ken Mitchell and Crowley, along with keeper Payne, were equal to all calls.

Rangers! greater steadiness merited them their victory.

Heidelberg 0, Albion Rovers 3.

On the rough sloping surface of Donvale Reserve, direct methods were the order of the day.

Albion had to face the glope in the first half, but were obviously too good for the third division side, throughout.

After only seven minutes, Stan Foster got the ball in the net for Rovers, but it was nullified by off-side.

In the 15th minute, Jimmy Daperis made progress down the wing and crossed to Foster. The inside forward passed to John Pryde, who crashed it into the net, on the volley.

Heidelberg, realising that their main hope lay in getting ahead in the first half, attacked Albion's goal with spirited rushes, but Derek Hartwell was impassable.

Billy Doggett and Hugh Donnelly got through an immense amount of work, keeping their opponents at bay.

The second half was all Albion.

Tom Clark hit the cross-bar with one fine effort and was narrowly over the top with another.

Billy Rae was having a field day down the wing and Pryde ran rings round the defence.

After 15 minutes, Daperis got through and shot for goal, after

receiving from Rae.

The ball was going wide when Clark nipped in to deflect it into the net for Albion's second.

Ten minutes later, Foster jumped to meet another cross from Billy Rae and head his side's third goal.

Heidelberg never gave up, but ran out of steam and Albion coasted in to a comfortable victory.

Frankston City 2, Brighton 1.

This game was one of missed opportunities, especially by Frankston and it could have cost them dearly.

Fifteen minutes after the start, Peter Avent was heading for goal, when he was upended in the area and Sam Murray put Frankston in front from the spot.

Billy Lewis, ex Frankston City, was Brighton's outstanding player and he converted a pass from Johnny Irvine to put the visitors back on level terms.

Frankston turned on the pressure and went ahead again when Avent coolly diverted a cross from Robin Knot past Brighton's keeper.

Irvine cut in and brought the best out of Billy Papoutsakis, when he drove for goal.

At the other end, Graham Wheat kicked off the line, when a Graham Clamp effort looked all over a goal.

DETERMINED PLAY

Brighton came out fighting in the second half, with Irvine and Lewis playing with determination, but they could not break through again and Frankston took command.

Johnstone and Chadwick missed fine opportunities as Brighton struggled gamely.

Two of the best reserves sides in the Metropolitan put on a great display in Saturday's quarter final game at Sixth Avenue.

Waverley took the lead midway through the first half, when Alan Reeves found the net direct from a corner kick and held on to it until twenty minutes from time when George Maikousis equalised with a great solo effort.

Maikousis starred for Sunshine.

In the first half, Jim Thom in the Waverley goal, turned a hot shot from him on to a post and the ball was cleared. There was little to choose between the sides and ninety minutes found them locked on one goal each.

EXTRA TIME

In the second minute of extra time, Maikousis danced through the Waverley defence, finishing with a beautiful lob over the keeper as he advanced.

Just before the turn round, Tommy Weir forced his way through and shot high into the net to make it two all.

The Waverley boys began to tire and Sunshine took over in the second period.

Goals by 16 year old Joe Palmer and Bill Murray sealed the issue and Sunshine pass on to the semi-final.

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In a fine sporting game at the university on Sunday, the students faced a powerful coaches line up which included Brian Edgeley, Archie Campbell, David Pygall, Joe Katz, Terry Lane and the Monash coach, Jackie

ACTION SHOTS

ALEXANDER v POLONIA MATCH

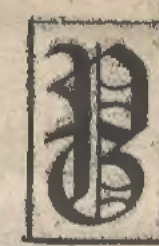
Right: Goalkeeper from the Alexander team takes the ball from the onslaught of attackers. Below: Bodziony heads the ball, these action shots were taken by 'Soccer Week' photographer John Krutop.



Right: In this action shot we see Gibson passing the ball to Bannon in the back-ground.



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On Friday, 27 September 1974, Monash University held its annual presentation night at the Camelot Reception Rooms, Clayton.

It was a joyful evening celebrating the University's best ever season.

The first team finished 4th on the table and but for one or two unfortunate lapses, may well have gained promotion.

The reserves won the 4th Division Reserves Pennant. They won 18 of the last 19 games and the last thirteen straight.

John Geist, in line for the reserves best and fairest trophy and probably the club highest goal scoring award showed fine club spirit by moving to the first team to help in their promotion

effort.

Monash won the inter-arsity championship and the reserves reached the quarter final of the Harry Armstrong Cup.

Trophy Winners were:-

First Team Best and Fairest: Peter Roessler (only player to ever win it twice); Joint Runners Up, Frank Perkin and Frank Hoyle.

Reserves Best and Fairest: Bill Allen; Runner Up, John Geist.

Thirds Best and Fairest: Guyen Quang; Best First Year Player, Phil Beard.

Most Improved: Simon Hemingway.

Top Club Goalscorer: John Mazurkiewicz.

Best Clubman: Bill Allen.

All Reserves players received a medallion commemorating their championship year.

SYDNEY SOCCER SCENE

BY JACK DANIELS AND OSCAR BROWN

Australia could face an entirely new set-up in the qualifying rounds of the 1978 World Cup Soccer tournament.

Instead of meeting the Asian countries in the qualifying rounds the Socceroos could find themselves up against such teams as Canada, the United States, Mexico and Haiti.

These countries are all members of the CONCACAF group of FIFA.

This possibility was disclosed by Sir Arthur George the President of the Australian Soccer Federation when he arrived back in Australia from the Asian Soccer Conference held in Teheran last week.

It was at this meeting that Australia's bid to join Asia was turned down flat by the militant Asian countries led by Iraq and Kuwait.

Delegates from these militant and anti-Australian countries made it very clear at the conference that they would do all in their power to stop Australia qualifying for the finals by way of the Asian zone.

A spokesman for Kuwait leader of the militant Asian group said "It is to the eternal disgrace of Asia that Australia represented Asia in the finals at Germany."

Many of Sydney's big name Soccer players could find themselves on the transfer list at the end of this current season.

Already Pan Hellenic have placed their World Cup star Gary Manuel on the list and more will surely follow.

Even at the Pan Hellenic club quite a number of their players are very dissatisfied and want to move onto new pastures.

However at many other clubs it is not the players who are dissatisfied it is the clubs.

The clubs have now reached a position where they will not be stood over by players demanding big money for their somewhat limited talents.

Into this group could come a number of "internationals" who have decided to up their price since the world cup in Germany.

Already Hakoah's Jim Mackay has been turned down by his club and told emphatically that they are not willing to pay him the big money he is demanding.

Mackay has now made it clear that he will go to Melbourne and accept the terms of the millionaires South Melbourne Hellas.

Hakoah of Sydney, probably the richest club in Australia along with Apia Leichhardt plan to sack around 17 players at the end of the season.

They just refuse to pay players big money

The visit to Australia in the early new year of the top Polish LKS Lodz with Polish World Cup stars Jan Tomaszewski, Kazimierz Deyna, Grzegorz Lato and Andrzej Drodowski and Mirosław Bulzacki has already captured the imagination of all the Sydney fans.

After their wonderful performance to take out third place in the World Cup finals after their

"There should have been an Asian flag flying at the finals in Germany and not an Australian one", the militants solidly declared.

"We must make sure that this never happens again."

Despite strong pleas by FIFA President Jean Havelange and former President Sir Stanley Rous the Asians adamantly voted Australia out.

On his arrival at Sydney airport Sir Arthur George declared that the whole tone of the conference reeked with politics and football and sport had to be content to take second place.

"This had nothing to do with football or sport and it is sickening to witness such strong political moves at a sporting conference", he said.

Sir Arthur however stated that Australia still had many friends in Asia including Indonesia, Hong Kong, Thailand and Iran.

for playing in the reserve team and because of this many of their familiar faces are due for the chop.

Apia are also going to have a real clean-out and they too are expected to transfer list around 17 players.

And there could be one or two real surprises in the Apia list as a number of their players on the line between reserve team and first team have not come up to standard.

However while all the clearing out is going on replacements will have to be found both in Australia and overseas.

Now that the Sydney Soccer scene is almost over for another year, the airline services between Sydney and Melbourne should hot up.

With players going to Melbourne to look for Victorian clubs and coaches going to Melbourne to look for fresh faces.

The problem will surely sort itself out but one thing is for certain and that is the days of the real big money for players in Sydney Soccer is facing an abrupt end.

By JACK DANIELS



Australia may have to qualify the hard way to make the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina and this is some of the tough CONCACAF opposition they may find themselves up against.

He also stated that Australia should now start negotiations to enter the Oceania Confederation.

With the help of FIFA this move could prove invaluable.

Although moves will be made by the Asians to make Australia qualify for the 1978 finals in Oceania and CONCACAF sections this has not unduly worried Sir Arthur.

Sir Arthur said that "I travelled 10,000 miles to address the Asians in Teheran and was denied the right."

"My answer to them will be in 1978 when we will beat them on the field of play in the finals."

Despite the kick in the face by the Asian militants at the Teheran Conference the Socceroos have been invited to play in the

eight day tournament with all expenses paid in June.

The Socceroos will also play in the Kings Cup event in Bangkok in December but only if the Thailand Football Association meet the full air fares.

By JACK DANIELS

Poland after all could play a lead role of a football super country.

This was to be proved when they played brilliantly in Germany and managed to gain third place.

Some of the facts and figures about the Polish Football Association make very interesting reading.

The Polish Football Association was founded on December 20, 1919 one year after Poland regained independence.

However football was known in Poland much earlier and the first game of football took place in front of spectators in 1894.

The first football club was established in Poland in 1903.

A few years after the Polish Football Association had been formed this branch of sport became one of the most popular in Poland.

During the 1939-45 Nazi occupation Poland was the only European country where sport was banned.

Sports clubs and organizations were dissolved and their property confiscated and their stadiums used for military purposes.

In spite of very severe punishment, the death penalty included, for playing football, secret meetings were organised in many Polish towns.

After the war, the reconstruction of Polish sports began with the rebuilding of football.

Players, coaches and active football workers were first to remove the ruins and after the war the first organised sports game to be played in Poland was football.

During the thirty years after the second world war Polish football

has developed to a much greater extent than at any other period.

It is now way ahead of any other sport in Poland and it has brought such great success such as an Olympic gold medal and third place in the World Cup.

The first international match played by Poland took place in Budapest on December 18, 1921 where they were defeated 1-0.

The first international match played after World War two by Poland was against Norway on June 11, 1947 and they were beaten 3-1.

From the period 1921-1973 Poland has played 292 games winning 113 drawing 65 and losing 114.

In these games they scored 581 goals and had 519 against.

Apart from winning the Olympic Gold medal and taking third place in the World Cup some of Poland's outstanding games were - participation in the 1938 World Cup finals, fourth place in the Olympic Games 1936.

4-2 victory over Hungary the second rated team in the world in 1939.

About 300,000 people play football in Poland and there are 3,216 clubs and 8,072 football teams that systematically take part in organised games.

Poland has 2,540 qualified coaches - 14 of these are classed as master coaches, 156 first class coaches and 464 second class coaches.

There are 6,096 registered referees in Poland with 7 of these referees being of international registration, 90 senior referees and 2,100 minor referees.

The biggest stadiums in Poland are the Slaski stadium in Chorzow which holds 100,000 spectators, the 10th anniversary stadium in Warsaw - 92,000, the Olympic stadium in Wroclaw - 60,000, the 22nd of July stadium in Poznan - 60,000 the Wisla stadium in Cracow - 50,000 the LKS stadium in Lodz - 40,000 and the peoples stadium in Sosnowiec - 40,000.

The Polish championship tournament is based upon the autumn - spring division system.

The first division includes 16 teams and the second division has two groups of 16 teams.

LKS Lodz will be very welcome visitors in Australia and it is to be hoped that they can produce some of the very exciting and entertaining football their national team produced in the world cup finals in Germany.

By JACK DANIELS

Lato and many other of his wonderful Polish teammates will be in Australia on tour early in the New Year.

The great Pele probably the most outstanding Soccer player this world has ever known could visit Sydney early next year.

Pele who is now under contract to the Pepsi-Cola group is likely to be brought to Sydney by the Pepsi-Cola company to promote junior Soccer and make personal appearances.

Pele, born Edson Arantes do Nascimento is a legend in his own lifetime.

He has scored more than 1,200 goals during his professional career 95 for Brazil in 110 appearances.

In more than 1,000 matches for Santos he has won nine Championship medals in the Sao Paulo League, four Brazil Cup medals, and two each from the South American Cup and World Club Championship of 1962 and 1963.

Despite his greatness Pele remains a simple straightforward man, still as humble as when he started his career.

He often says "God gave me these gifts and it is he I have to thank for everything."

Pele the footballer was very special. He did not have to have others to create a situation for him he could create situations out of nothing.

The complete player he could score goals make goals for others and play as a substitute goalkeeper when necessary.

No doubt he would have been Brazil's greatest goalkeeper if he had concentrated on that position.

It is as well that he did not, for football would have been robbed of his wonderful goals and his intelligence on

the field. No doubt every kid in Australia will be hoping that the great Pele will make it to Australia after all.

By JACK DANIELS

Western Suburbs veteran striker Mike Trebilcock was the surprise winner of the Rothmans Medal in Sydney.

Trebilcock as a striker has only scored 8 goals in Sydney this season and can only be described as fairly average.

However his impeccable manners on the field must have done a lot to influence the referees who cast the votes for the Rothmans Medal.

Many experts in Sydney think that the selection of the winner of this prestigious award must be changed as there seems no way in the world that referees can concentrate refereeing a game and also judge the best players.

It is also felt that many referees would not know a good player if they met him face to face!

Trebilcock tied with Socceroo goalkeeper Alan Maher on 19 points but won the award on a countback.

The voting in this years Rothmans award was - 19 points - Mike Trebilcock - Wests. Alan Maher - Sutherland.

18 points - Les Hucker - Auburn.

17 points - Peter Ollerton - Apia. Coli Curran - Wests.

16 points - Jimmy Rooney - Apia. John Russell - Apia.

15 points - Terry Butler - Apia. John Watkiss - Hakoah. Iswadi - Wests.

14 points - Lester Forrester - Canterbury. Dave Harding - Pan Hellenic. Alf Moschen - Marconi.

13 points - Manfred Schaefer - St George. Jack Trkulja - Yugal-Prague. John Warren - St George.

Peter Wilson - Safeway. 12 points - John Stoddard - St George. Col Bennett - Sutherland. Frank Brady - Croatia. Williw McGrotty - Safeway.

11 points - Jimmy Mackay - Hakoah.

10 points - Joe Watson - Hakoah. Joe Fletcher - Hakoah. Steve McDonald - Yugal-Prague. Steve Hesford - Safeway. Paul Smith - Sutherland.

9 points - Paul Degney - Marconi. Ivo Rudic - Pan Hellenic. Alan Thompson - Safeway.

8 points - Ritchie Bell - Pan Hellenic. Raoul Carrizo - Pan Hellenic. John Doyle - South Sydney. Ken Lindsay - Wests. Agenor Muniz - Hakoah. Dave Rigby - Safeway.

7 points - Greg Brown - Canterbury. Rene Colusso - Marconi. Steve Leak - Auburn. Frank Malone - Auburn. Steve Perry - Wests. Ray Rootsey - Yugal-Prague. Bruce Stowell - Pan Hellenic. Derek Trail - Sutherland.

7 points - Gary Tuckerman - Safeway. Joe Whitehead - Canterbury.

6 points - Mike Haynes - Sutherland. Steve Kerri - Canterbury. Derek Smith - Croatia.

Terry Smith - St George. Gerry Walker - Auburn.

5 points - Uve Bracklowe - Yugal-Prague. Greg Byles - Wests. Ernie Campbell - Marconi. Steve Dolan - Hakoah. Brendan Grosse - St George.

Henry Mowbray - Hakoah. Jim Petrovski - Yugal-Prague. Doug Utjesenovic - St George.

John Wallace - Apia. Geoff Whalley - Croatia.

4 points - Jim Fraser - St George. Peter Fuzes - Canterbury. Matt Guildea - Wests. Jim Izatt - Pan Hellenic.

Alan Marnoch - Hakoah. Tom Mhijovic - Yugal-Prague. Tommy Morrow - Hakoah. Peter Mullen - Canterbury.

Steve Perry - Yugal-Prague. Gary Quested - Auburn. Jim Stewart - Auburn. Denis Yaager - Croatia.

3 points - Atti Abonyi - St George. Adrian Alston - Luton Town. Larry Armytage - Canterbury. Peter Brankin - Pan Hellenic.

Mal Clarke - Apia. Ron Corry - Croatia. Jim Davies - Canterbury. Ron Griffiths - Sutherland. Joe Nixon - Croatia. Willie Rutherford - Hakoah.

Derek Sidey - Auburn. Willie Sinclair - Marconi. Greg Smith - Croatia. Peter Stone - Wests. Maurice Sullivan - Croatia. John Wong - Hakoah. Peter Wykes - Sutherland.

2 points - Alan Ainslie - Wests. Nick Boskovski - Yugal - Prague. Gary Byrne - Marconi. Martin Coe - Hakoah. Vic Darvell - Croatia. Bogdan Duma - Croatia. Bob Fekete - Hakoah.

Alan Gibson - Auburn. Willie Hamilton - St George. George Harris - St George. Steve Hoszowski - Auburn. Barry Jones - Marconi. Dave Keddie - Auburn.

Gary Manuel - Pan Hellenic. George Piatta - Canterbury. Greg Roberts - Safeway. Alan Smart - Apia. Ilya Takac - Yugal-Prague. Max Tolson - Safeway. Jan Tuinman - Yugal-Prague. Warren Turnbull - Wests. Rex Williams - Marconi.

1 point - Murray Barnes - Hakoah. George Blues - Apia. Joe Cacciola - Sutherland. Paul Coton - St George. Bernie Cullerton - Pan Hellenic. Robbie Fryer - Safeway. Alex Gray - Wests. Tom Hughes - Auburn. Ken Jenkins - Apia. John Kennedy - Apia. Greg Lynch - Hakoah. Willie Millen - Marconi. Bill Murray - Marconi. John McDonald - St George. Stuart Selvage - Yugal-Prague. Nick Dardarevic - Yugal-Prague. Brian Turner - Croatia. Billy Vojtek - Croatia.

By OSCAR BROWN

Only last year Sydney's Rothmans Cup winner Mike Trebilcock was playing against top opposition in Britain such as Glasgow Celtic and Hibs. Here we show Celtic's full back Jim Brogan flying over Hibs defender Des Bremner while Celtic's Dixie Deans is also in the act at a recent game at Easter Road Park Edinburgh.

St George showed guts and determination to stage a dramatic comeback to win Sydney's Soccer Grand Final at the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday.

Their win makes an even handout of this years trophies with Saints having won the Grand final, Hakoah the premiership and Apia the Ampol Cup with the Rothmans Cup left to play for.

St George v Hakoah Grand Final Roundup

Sydney, September 29, AAP - St George won their thrd soccer grand final with a rugged 4-2 victory over premiers Hakoah Eastern Suburbs after extra time at Sydney sports ground today.

The teams were locked at 2-2 at fulltime before a crowd of 10,883 and St George's big striker Terry Smith, making his first appearance in the championship series, slipped the ball into the net two minutes into extra time.

Five minutes later Saints player coach and former Australian captain John Warren pushed the ball through the centre.

He won the race with Hakoah's Alan Marnoch and beat goalkeeper Martin Coe with a sparkling drive.

In a dramatic move Warren immediately replaced himself with defender Paul Cotton and the team held out without further score.

It was the Saints third grand final win but they still trail Hakoah who have four to their credit.

The teams last clashed in the 1960 grand final when Hakoah won with the score exactly reversed before a 26,770 crowd when St George was known as the budapest club.

Hakoah proved grand in defeat and it was hard

to fault their ex-Queensland goalkeeper Martin Coe in spite of the four goals that beat him. Defenders Henry Mowbray a former Blackpool star, and John Warkiss were also in superb form.

The Hakoah defence buckled late in the game after the loss of forwards agenor muniz through injury and the replacement of Joe Watson which caused additional pressure at the rear.

St George opened brightly with John Warren starting their attacks with judiciously placed passes from deep in the midfield.

It came as no surprise when they scored first after 17 minutes although it took an incredible cameo of footwork by Willie Hamilton to spark the opening.

St George v Hakoah Eastern Suburbs Grand final round-up take three

Hakoah's Joe Watson attempted to handle Hamilton deep in the right wing corner.

Hamilton after slipping back and forth, pushed a pass close to the goal line. Abonyi and Stoddard sent the ball on for Terry Smith to score.

Within seconds Hakoah drew level when the brilliant Agenor Muniz crossed for Joe Fletcher to score from close range.

In the first half



St George's Atti Abonyi (8) escapes a strong tackle from Hakoah defender John Watkiss in the Sydney Grand final at the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday. Looking on are Saints striker Terry Smith (left) and Hakoah midfielder Agenor Muniz (left).

Fletcher's constant interchanges from right wing to centre and the movements of Muniz and Watson proved a nightmare to the Saints international studded defence.

Seven minutes later Hakoah were 2-1 ahead when Joe Fletcher placed the ball under St George keeper Jim Fraser.

The goal should equally ne credited to Muniz who set up a perfect pass for Fletcher.

Atti Abonyi's sweeping goal from a great right wing pass from Utjesenovic 15 minutes after the break gave St George the equaliser.

Then came extra time when Saints doubled their scoring output early in the period to take the top honour of the year.

Grand Final Results Roundup.

St George 4 (T. Smith 2, A. Abonyi, J. Warren) B Hakoah Eastern Suburbs 2 (J. Fletcher 2)

at Sydney Sports Ground after extra time. Crowd: 10,883.

Reserve Grade

Western Suburbs 3 (T. Smyth, D. Jack, C. Macallister) B Hakoah-Eastern Suburbs 2 (J. Magill H Silva)

THIRD GAME:

Marconi-Fairfield 1 (R Nutt) drew with Safeway United 1 (D. Allison) (To be replayed at the Sports Ground 11.45 a.m. next Sunday).

By Oscar Brown



The Apia team that went within a hair's breadth of taking out the Sydney Championship. BACK ROW: l to r Jenkins, McGinn, McGuire, Roberts, Kennedy, Clarke, Pollard. CENTRE: L to R Gallo (Physiotherapist) Russell, McGhee, Delforno, Ollerton, Rogers, Smart, Wallace, Campana. (Gear Steward). FRONT ROW: L to R Anderson (Manager/Coach), McGovern, Rooney (Captain), Bayutti, (President), Blues, Butler, Botallico (Assistant Coach)

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Celtic's Dixie Deans is also in the act at a recent game at Easter Road Park Edinburgh.

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SOCCER GOSS

By JOHN MARTIN

KEN PATTERSON, the great coach of George Cross, will not be leaving the club at the end of the season.

Ken said there was no truth in the report which appeared in *The Age* on Saturday that he was leaving the club.

HOW unlucky can you get in this round-ball game? George Cross finished runners up in State League last weekend for the EIGHTH time in their history. They've been the league's bridesmaid so many times and never been a bride.

Said John Borg, George Cross League delegate: "It is always Hakoah who puts the jinx on us. It happens every year."

REFEREE Roger Lamb was "whistle happy" again at Footscray Road ground last Saturday. Too many whistles stopped the flow of play in a game destined to be the match of the week.

FITZROY UNITED crashed to Polonia at Olympic Park and supporters said it was because they were without players George Gillan and Sam Cook. Independent witnesses said it was the astute coaching of Polonia's Mike deBruyckere and his hard-working team. Polonia have improved their game in recent weeks and should have finished higher than they did in the league.

ANLAN PONGHO again started for Mooroolbark against George Cross. He could force himself into the State squad following two great weeks of soccer for the Barkers.

ZIGGY SALINSKI have a great display in goal for Polonia against Fitzroy.

JOHNNY GARDINER worked hard to feed every ball he could get on Saturday to teammate Paul Murphy in his quest to be top Courage Brewery's goalscorer for the year.

ONE of the following six State League players will be selected Player of the Year by the Victorian Soccer Writers Association tonight (Thursday) at Riverside Inn, Richmond: Paul Murphy (George Cross), Jim Armstrong (Hellas), Pat Bannon (Fitzroy United), Peter Bourne (Hellas), Brian Edgley (Mooroolbark) and Steve Walker (Hellas).

MELBOURNE Juniors' Presentation Night will be held at Theatre Hall, 31 Commercial Road, Prahran, on Saturday October 26, at 6 p.m. The club's under 10's will present a mime concert.

Refreshments will be served free but there will

be a charge of \$2 for adults and 50 cents for children. The money will go towards floodlighting of the Eldwood Reserve ground where the juniors train. Tickets can be obtained from club officials. Or you can pay on the night.

BILL ALLISON, the Melbourne under-15 coach and one of our top junior coaches in Victoria, says keenness and hard training have given his boys their great success this season of being undefeated in 32 games. These lads have achieved so much this year having played in a competition much higher than the 15 year old standard requires.

Bill's team have competed in the Under 16 State League Colts competition. They have won the under 16 cup and the Altona City under 15 cup. Thirteen of their boys have represented Victoria and they have four boys who have played for Australia.

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Recently the side drew 2-2 with Hakoah under 16's who are their toughest rival in the competition. Bill's son, Colin, who received a fractured knee cap in a game, is on the mend and is expected to be back in training this week.

RUMOR has it many companies have taken great interest in the Industrial League because they believe the League offers benefits to their employees. The companies are now asking to change the playing time to either Saturday or Sunday afternoons. Some companies are also asking employees to give first priority to the company team before any other club.

It is understood that the management committee of the Industrial League is disturbed at these rumors as they do not wish the present excellent relationship with both State and Metropolitan League jeopardised.

At the same time, the Committee is understood to be shocked at the attitude of certain Metropolitan Board of

Management members' strong opposition to the present MISL permit system.

THREE CHEERS to Tony Boggi, the Victorian State coach, for his fine coaching of the make-shift side of Hellas and Alexander players who soundly beat Pan Hellenic, of Sydney, at Middle Park, on Show Day. It was great soccer. The standard was much higher than present State League and it was delightful to see players going in after the ball instead of standing back and waiting for someone else to do the work.

Pan Hellenic fielded four Australian stars — Ivor Rudie, Jimmy Rooney, Dave Harding and Gary Manuel. But they had no idea how to play the Victorian combine.

We couldn't help thinking that this Hellas-Alexander side if playing in regular competition would be unbeatable in Australia. It would make a fine side for a national League. The type of soccer they played would certainly attract and draw crowds. Had this match on Show Day been played on a Sunday it would have attracted at least 10,000.

Sydney officials were jealous of the facilities at Middle Park. They spoke highly of Victoria's grounds and they were also surprised at the "improved" standard of play here.

Now Hellas president, Sam Papisavas, is keen to show the rest of Australia how good his Hellas boys really are and he wants to try them out against the top sides from all States at the end of the present season.

This could be a good yardstick for Victorian soccer. Two or three years ago we were way behind NSW in playing ability and according to some of the former Victorians now playing in the Harbour City, we still are way behind.

INCIDENTALLY, this is the combined Hellas-Alexander team which beat Pan Hellenic — Fode, Vince Bannon, John Daperis, Steve Walker, Racovalis, Pat Bannon, Ian Gibson, Kamboropoulos, Armstrong, Donarchie and Savage. Not a bad line-up is it?

JOE ABONYI, Soccer manager of the MSD, in Elizabeth Street, City, has always been a good friend of the game. After all, he comes from a top soccer family. His famous brother Otto used to play for Melbourne and, of course, is one of our World Cup players.

be of particular interest to Greek supporters as he has pennants of top club in Greek first division.

SUNSHINE CITY look like going places if the local Council have anything to do with it next season. Already the club have been honored by the Council and Lord Mayor Jack Tighe with a red-carpet Civic reception planned for Melbourne Cup Eve, November 4.

Sunshine publicity man, Matt Patterson, who has big plans for promoting his club in 1975, says he's thrilled with the response the local Council have given the City club.

The club is stepping out early in their promotion campaign. They'll take off with 50 supporters for Tasmania on October 18 to show the Victorian flag on the Apple Island.

While they're over there Sunshine seniors will play a Tasmanian representative side in Hobart. Their reserves will compete against the Tasmanian under-21 side.

THERE'S no truth in the rumor last week that Channel 9 have signed the contract for \$35,000 for a special mid-week State League winter tournament next season.

We can't see this coming off but if it did "Oh Melbourne" you'd certainly win some soccer people to your channel. For years we've always had our doubts about this station regarding the round-ball game. Namely because they kicked off with Jim Paul and then Tony Anthony as soccer commentators but dropped them both to concentrate on the VFA.

CANBERRA TV \$2000 awards for the top four State League teams will be made on HSV7 World of Sport soccer segment hosted by Fred Villiers on October 20. Canberra TV's boss Bill Walker, an Englishman, will make the presentation of the cheques.

PLAYERS interested in a spell in Hong Kong should contact Terry Galagher by phoning 91 3863. Terry wants five professionals to play for the Urban Services Dept. team in Hong Kong first division. They are wanted from November to March.

WHAT will happen to

We've had an exceptionally good season. We had 13 players. No team can win a championship with 13 players. I didn't have replacements but if we'd had them we would have won the league this year," said Ken.

MR PAUL MIRABELLA, president of Juventus, isn't happy with some of the bad publicity he's received in the Italian press. He said on Sunday that certain writers had advocated that he should have sacked coach Manny Poulakakis to improve the team.

"As a coach I really respect him," said Mr Mirabella who has recently returned from a business trip to Italy. "We have been a little unlucky during the season. I think we need a stronger mid field."

"I don't know whether I'll carry on with the club next year. We have our general meeting on November 26. I'll make my decision between now and then. I'm not getting the support I need from the Italian community."

"One of my best supporters is Nino Borsari. I wish there were more like him. There are far too many people outside the committee who try to interfere with Juventus. It's a pity. The Italian is like the Greek. If they don't get results they won't come to the ground. Today is the best

crowd we've had all season," said Mr Mirabella.

After the game on Sunday Mr Mirabella gave a party to his players and also invited members of the winning Hellas team.

Coach Poulakakis said "When I took over Juventus I promised one thing — that they would finish better than they did last year. And they are a better team this season. We lost three players, Smart, Webster and MacMeehan but we gained Vojtek. In spite of this we finished one position better than last year."

"On the other hand we've produced better new players like the brothers Subidussi and Drage Krajina, a schoolboy who scored for us today. To really lift Juventus we need an outstanding mid-field player someone like Micic, Bourke or Margarites was when he played for Hellas."

"In all my experience in Australian soccer I think Juventus have the best president and best committee of all the clubs. Look at them. They lost the game but the president has brought drinks for everyone. This is the initiative of the president and the committee. I wish all clubs had a president like Mr Mirabella — the game would be much better for it if they had," said coach Poulakakis.



DRAGO KRAJINA... the young Juventus goalscorer against Hellas at Olympic Park last Sunday.



Socceroo defender Doug Utjesenovic of St. George jumps high to clear a dangerous Apia raid at the Sports Ground Sydney last week while World Cup referee Tony Boskovic looks on.

"We were brilliant against Alexander, shocking against Hakoah, played real well against JUST and we beat Mooroolbark on Saturday but we haven't got that killer instinct."

SOCCER WEEK PREVIEW

by JOHN MARTIN

GREAT FINISH TO 1974 SEASON

By JOHN MARTIN

THERE is no doubt last weekend's State League round will be remembered for a long time

It had all the excitement and drama you could wish for and it was a pity it wasn't recorded by one of our so-called TV channels.

Forget the footy panel at the MCG and all the bally hoo it produced in the biased Melbourne Press. Soccer as usual got its two or three paragraphs in The Sun and The Age and the usual paragraph in the Carlton and United Breweries advertisement in The Herald.

Where was the professional metropolitan journalist telling the story of the great climax to the 1974 season?

We don't think it would have mattered if they had been there to write the story it would never had made the editions because the sports editors are too blind to see beyond their noses and the game they patronise month in and month out

But what a sensational finish we had in State League soccer this year! It all started on Saturday at Schinler Reserve with George Cross doing their bit in losing Mooroolbark United 2-0 in a rather one-sided match.

The stocky little Irishman Paul Murphy led the way to goal scoring the two which

gave his side the points and also put him in the running for the Courage \$1000 award.

Paul received so much help from Johnny Gardiner and Frank McArdle, it was unbelievable that he didn't get his hat-trick. Perhaps if he had he would have beaten Jimmy Armstrong, of Hellas, to the post.

On Saturday afternoon Murphy went home not too confident that he'd scored enough to give him the Courage award. And his thoughts had to stay with him until late Sunday when he was told the news of Armstrong's two goals against Juventus which were worth \$1000 to the Hellas striker.

Perhaps the real drama of the weekend came late on Sunday afternoon at Olympic Park. We saw one of the largest crowds to watch Juventus this year cheer on the efforts of Armstrong and his teammates.

It was interesting to see the minutes tick away as Jimmy missed shot after shot in his excitement to score those expensive goals.

And then the crowd erupted when he levelled the score with Murphy. They ran out on to the ground and held him high. What more would a Press photographer want to capture all the tension and excitement of a football match. But there wasn't a photographer there only the two veterans from the Greek press.

It's sad but it seems to us there is a big problem with soccer's publicity. There is a big job in front of the Victorian Soccer Federation. They badly need a promotion man, a promotion and publicity committee and most of all someone who will go out and sell soccer to the metropolitan press in this state.

The discrimination of the game is shocking. It has never improved and never will until some real action is taken. Even today there is still not one full-time soccer writer on any Melbourne produced newspaper and the game of soccer has been established in Victoria since 1906.

We ask the question "How many more decades will we have to kick the round ball in Victoria before we are recognised?"

This is the question the VSF will have to ask the Press Barons of Melbourne before they get much older.

ARMSTRONG KICKS \$1000 COURAGE GOAL!

By JOHN MARTIN

JIMMY ARMSTRONG, the South Melbourne Hellas and former Australian striker, kicked the most expensive goal ever scored at Olympic Park on Sunday.

It was the Courage Breweries \$1000 award winning goal which gave him 22 for the season and first prize in the top goalscoring award in the State League.

But he left it until seven minutes from the end of the game to score the winner.

Earlier he had levelled the neck-and-neck race all season with his rival Paul Murphy, of George Cross, who on the previous day netted the two goals his team scored against Mooroolbark United, at Footscray Road.

This put Murphy on 21. Armstrong had the job in front of him. Could he do it?

The pressure was really on when he ran on to the ground on Sunday.

Almost 5000 fans came to the Park to see if Armstrong could win the contest.

Ordinarily the game meant nothing. The league championship was won by Hellas.

A loss to Juventus wouldn't have mattered to them.

All interest was in Armstrong and the task he had before him.

The Hellas striker said after the game he didn't know that there was only a few minutes to go when he scored his winning goal. "I had more or less given it away," he said.

"I was waiting for my teammates to make all the chances that's why I stayed up in the centre all the time."

I got to thinking well bummer it.

It doesn't look as if I'm going to score so I

had better go out and try and make some.

Then suddenly it came.

"It was the most expensive goal scored at the Park but let's hope it will be more expensive next year with more sponsors."

"It was bad luck for Paul Murphy

I would have been more than happy to share it with him. But there has got to be a winner and a loser

It could have been a draw as we've been chasing each other all season.

"I'm going to have a big party for all the players and their wives with the money I've won

They deserve it."

While Jimmy was at Olympic Park trying to win the money Paul Murphy, the 26 year old Irishman, was in church praying.

Earlier in the day he took his three daughters for a walk having said the previous day he would not attend Olympic Park to watch Armstrong.

"If Jimmy scores two goals tomorrow he deserves to win it," said Murphy on Saturday

"If I'm lucky enough to win the money I'll send my wife and daughters home to Belfast for a holiday," he told me.

But it wasn't to be.

The scene at Olympic Park was one of the most exciting and colorful

we've seen for a long time.

When Armstrong scored in the 83rd minute the ground was invaded by hundreds of Hellas supporters. They lifted Armstrong shoulder high in their excitement and after the game thousands ran on to the ground to congratulate him.

One supporter ripped Armstrong's shirt from his back and disappeared into the crowd.

He was carried back to the dressing room should high with a large banner in blue and white which read "Super Star".

A modest Armstrong requested that the crowd

call the Greek super star Ulysses Kokkinos who had watched the match from the sidelines because of a leg injury received the previous week.

They lifted Kokkinos on their shoulders and carried him with Armstrong.

It was certainly a great climax to a great State League season - one that was brought about by the generosity of Courage.

We pay tribute to this company and we hope it won't be the last time that they see fit to sponsor a goalscoring competition in Victoria.



ON SIDE WITH STEPHEN KALMS

WHAT A WONDERFUL FINISH OF THE 1974 Rothmans State League season!

At Olympic Park last Sunday a record crowd was thrilled with the performance of Victoria's top goalscorer JIM ARMSTRONG.

And when the tall Scotch scored his second goal which gave him \$1,000 from COURAGE BREWERIES.

Excited spectators invaded the pitch cheering their idol and only with the help of police the referee could continue the game Hellas-Juventus to the end.

Jim Armstrong who also won the top goalscorers award in 1972, was chased in the last two rounds by George Cross top striker PAUL MURPHY who last Saturday scored 2 goals to lead Armstrong by one.

Hakoah-St Kilda despite good performances in the last rounds are 5th and 6th respectively.

DUNCAN CUMMINGS, THE 16 YEAR OLD Melbourne forward who starred in Perth last month in the under 16 carnival, won the award of the SOCCER PRESS ASSOCIATION for the best under-21 player. The award will be presented to Cummings tonight (Thursday) at a function at Riverside Inn.

"SOCCER WEEK" WAS AGAIN RIGHT ON THE BALL predicting Hellas as 1974 champions, JIM ARMSTRONG as top goalscorer and the final four of Hellas, George Cross, Fitzroy United and Footscray-Just, Prahran-Slavica and

REMEMBER MARIAN GASIOR THE Polonia's TOP DEFENDER AND LATER TRAINER OF KEILOR CITY?

He recently visited his home town Lodz-Poland and in an interview with the local paper "GLOS ROBOTNICZY" said that the LKS tour is

expected to draw big crowds in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane and Perth where many Polish migrants live

By the way, Marian Gasior is also an ex-LKS player. And so is the Adelaide top goalkeeper Marian Szozurzynski.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VICTORIAN SOCCER FEDERATION will be held on October 24 at the Olympic rooms, Swan Street.

SO WE ARE BACK WHERE WE CAME FROM! Australia after being rejected to join the Asian Confederation will rejoin the OCEANIA CONFEDERATION and play in one group with New Zealand, New Hebrides, Fiji, New Caledonia, Tahiti, Papua-New Guinea and several other countries split up in 2 groups.

THE ASF president Sir Arthur George conferred recently with FIFA and at the beginning of next year our group will be announced

Our share in profits from the 1974 Munich finals will be around \$200,000 and the cheque should reach the ASF next month

MICHAEL WEINSTEIN, the VSF chairman, who is organising the LKS tour in Australia, had a phone conversation with the president of LKS Mr. Wladaw Zatkic last week. Several problems have been discussed and also the possibility of strengthening the Polish tourists with two or three top Polish players.

THE GRAND FINAL of Sydney, top sides HAKOAH AND ST. GEORGE was played last Sunday at SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND

It was a sell out as 10 SOCCEROOS were playing in the two teams. Names like Jim McKay, J. Watkiss, M. Schaefer, A. Abonyi and others are always a drawcard in Sydney games.

TONNY BOGGI IS AT PRESENT A VERY POPULAR NAME IN POLAND. Polish sport and daily papers are informing their readers about Victoria's preparation for the first 1975 international game against the Polish team LKS

A leading Polish sporting paper nicknamed Tonni as

"THE FLYING HOLENDER" because of his activity and movements from ground to ground in watching player's form.

It's a fact that Tonny is considering his job as a coach of the State side very seriously and will name this week a squad of 28 players. Tonny said that he will rely on reputable players like Alastair Scott, Frank Micic, Steve Walker, Blanko Buhevic, Peter Bourne, Johnny Gardiner etc., but promising youngsters like Duncan Cummings, Henry Poznanski, Anton Dozen and a few others will be included in a squad of 28 which will start training at the weekend

Tonny's professional approach as Victoria's coach is an assurance that the Victorian team will be properly prepared for the game against LKS.

LAST SATURDAY'S TELEVIEWED GAME FITZROY UNITED-POLONIA gave the Polish team another chance to prove that they are still a power in the State League. Polonia outplayed their opponents and scored a fully deserved win.

At the interval PAT BANNON was presented by GTV9 with a Chrysler Charger car which he

won as THE PLAYER OF THE YEAR. It was the first time in Victoria's soccer history that a car was awarded as a prize.

HAKOAH'S-ST KILDA STATE LEAGUE TEAM did not enjoy a good season. It's the first time for years that the present Dockerty Cup holders are out of the semi finals. Middle of the season Hakoah looked certain to make the four, but then came defeats one after the other, the team was playing without confidence and only points in the last few games assured Hakoah it would play in the night games. But the club has a team of which they can be proud. Its the under 16 eleven which did not lose a game in months and last Saturday scored

against Wilhelmina a record 9:1 win.

WHO IS GOING TO WIN THE DOCKERTY CUP? Can Hellas make a double? We will soon know. The semi-finals will be played next Sunday at Olympic Park. The first game will be between Alexander and Wilhelmina followed by JUST StH Melbourne Hellas.

NEW NAMES OF TOP PLAYERS WILL BE SOON ANNOUNCED. Polonia's secretary Mr. Ostrowski is negotiating in Poland direct with several players and also Rale Rasic the ex-National coach was recently in Buenos Aires and signed two players for Pan Hellenic in Sydney.



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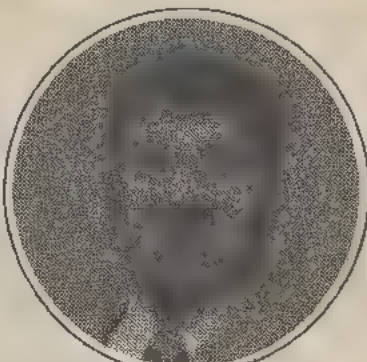
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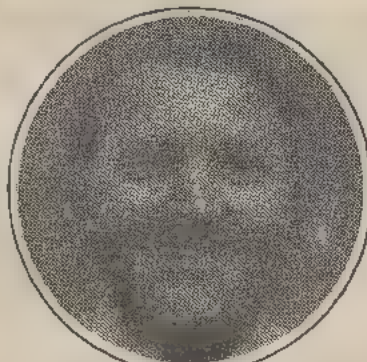
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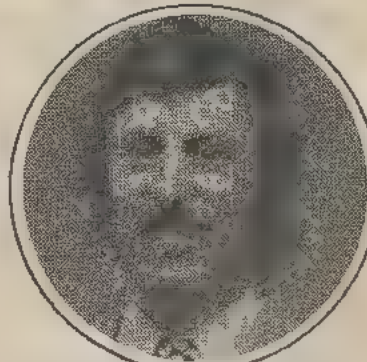
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ONE-OWNER TRADE-INS MUST BE CLEARED THIS WEEK

1972 TORANA LJ 2250 'S' 2 DOOR SEDAN. Beige in colour with contrasting upholstery and trim. This is a genuine 1 owner car and has travelled only 23,000 miles. Finance arranged to suit. Full price \$2595.

1971 HOLDEN HQ MANUAL & AUTOMATIC SEDANS. These ex-fleet vehicles must be sold to allow for further fleet trade-ins. Full price \$1695.

1968 TOYOTA CROWN SE MANUAL SEDAN. White in colour with contrasting black interior, motor recently overhauled in our workshop and will be sold with our generous 12/12 warranty \$25 deposit and \$12 week. Full price \$1895.

1972 FORD XA 250 AUTOMATIC SEDAN. Finished in unmarked green duco and saddle upholstery and trims. This vehicle is registered until April '75 and has travelled only 18,000 miles. Finance arranged on \$200 deposit. Full price \$2795.

1973 HOLDEN HQ 202 AUTOMATIC SEDAN. Low mileage sedan is in a new condition and is fitted with a radio, heater demister and host of other extras. Finance arranged. Full price \$3095.

1971 HOLDEN HG 253 V8 AUTOMATIC KINGSWOOD SEDAN. Silver grey duco. Radial tyres, radio heater demister. This vehicle will not last at full price \$2895.

1971 TOYOTA COROLLA COUPE. Finished in unmarked purple duco with matching black upholstery and carpets. This very popular small car can be purchased on \$100 deposit \$17 per week. Full price \$2295.

1972 TORANA LJ 4 DOOR 2250 SL AUTOMATIC SEDAN. This as new genuine one-owner car was first purchased from Masseys on 15/12/74 and has travelled only 6,500 miles. This car will be sold \$1000 under new car price with full new car warranty.

1965 HOLDEN HD STATION WAGON. Body and interior are in fair condition and the vehicle has 9 months registration and 4 new tyres. This cheap family wagon will be sold "as traded". Full Price \$495.

1970 HOLDEN HT MANUAL 186 PREMIER STATION WAGON. This immaculate one-owner wagon is fitted with Radial tyres, Heater/demister, Radio and other primer luxury extras. Easy finance arranged on \$100 deposit and \$24 per week. Full price \$2495.

1974 LH 2850 AUTOMATIC TORANA 2 to choose from. These 2 demo Toranas must be sold this week due to our new car stock purchase of 6 cylinder Toranas both cars will be sold with new car warranty and a huge saving on new car price.

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STATE LEAGUE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
S.M. Hellas	22	13	7	2	47	23	33
George Cross	22	13	3	6	47	31	29
Footscray JUST	22	12	4	6	31	24	28
Fitzroy Utd.A.	22	11	5	6	48	32	27
Prahran Slavia	22	10	6	6	27	21	26
Hakoah S.Kilda	22	10	6	6	25	28	26
Ringwood							
City W.	22	7	5	10	31	34	19
Melbourne	22	7	4	11	32	34	18
Juventus	22	6	6	10	25	33	18
Polonia	22	7	3	12	24	27	17
Mooroolbark	22	5	7	10	16	29	17
Keilor Austria	22	2	2	18	13	50	6

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Ringwood	15	11	4	3	29	16	26
City W.	19	10	5	4	35	21	25
George Cross							
Polonia	21	9	5	7	32	26	23
Maribyrnong	21	8	7	6	26	25	23
Sth. Melb. H.	20	8	6	6	37	27	22
Hakoah S.Kilda	20	8	6	6	37	27	22
Footscray JUST	20	6	9	5	35	20	21
Mooroolbark	18	6	5	5	27	17	21
Juventus	18	5	7	6	22	21	17
Fitzroy Utd.A.	20	5	6	9	27	37	16
Prahran Slavia	15	5	4	6	21	25	14
Keilor Austria	21	4	4	13	28	58	12
Melbourne	21	4	4	13	19	45	12

LALOR REGION SOCCER LEAGUE

UNDER 9

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Sunshine City	21	16	3	2	54	7	35
Sunshine	19	15	3	1	64	9	33
Heights 'A'	20	12	8	—	45	6	32
Altona	19	11	5	3	47	8	27
Melton 'A'	20	8	4	8	29	20	20
Sunbury	21	6	6	7	14	15	20
Mossfield R.	18	7	3	8	24	26	17
St. Albans	20	7	3	10	24	26	17
Werrisbee 'A'	20	5	6	9	12	20	16
Sunshine	20	5	5	12	12	48	11
Heights 'B'	21	3	3	15	17	46	9
Melton 'B'	21	1	2	18	2	109	2

UNDER 10

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Altona	20	38	—	1	60	7	38
Mossfield R.	20	13	4	3	59	16	38
Melton 'A'	21	14	1	6	69	14	29
Keilor City	20	14	1	5	41	9	28
Sunshine	20	11	5	4	60	16	27
Heights	21	11	4	6	37	19	26
Sunshine City	21	11	2	8	32	19	24
Werrisbee	21	11	2	8	32	19	24
Green Gully	21	7	—	14	24	41	14
Ajax	21	5	3	13	20	29	13
St. Albans	19	1	1	17	10	40	11
Juventus	21	1	1	19	10	33	4
Albion Rovers	21	—	1	20	1	141	1
Melton 'B'	21	—	1	20	1	141	1

UNDER 11

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Green Gully	21	19	—	2	117	8	38
Ajax	20	19	—	1	87	7	38
Altona 'A'	20	14	3	4	50	14	31
Sunshine City	20	14	3	4	56	16	31
St. Albans	20	14	3	4	56	16	31
Sunshine He	21	11	4	6	33	31	26
Heights	21	11	2	8	43	36	24
Melton 'A'	21	11	2	8	43	36	24
Albion Rovers	21	8	2	11	29	54	18
Mossfield R.	21	6	1	14	18	64	13
Melton 'B'	21	4	1	15	14	62	10
Altona 'B'	21	3	1	17	22	74	9
Keilor City	20	3	1	15	12	38	8
Newport	20	1	—	19	7	82	2
Ardeer	20	1	—	19	7	82	2

UNDER 12

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Sunshine City	21	20	1	—	112	9	41
Altona	20	15	3	4	103	13	31
Mossfield R.	21	14	3	4	61	8	31
St. Albans 'A'	20	15	1	4	77	16	31
Sunshine	20	13	2	5	86	13	28
Heights	21	12	—	9	41	34	24
Melton	20	8	1	11	31	54	17
Suburbs	20	7	1	12	39	67	15
Werrisbee	20	7	1	12	39	67	15
Green Gully	19	4	3	12	18	43	11
Ajax	21	2	1	18	8	97	7
St. Albans 'B'	21	1	1	19	8	92	5
Lechia	21	1	1	19	12	148	3
Sunbury	20	1	1	18	12	148	3

UNDER 13

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Sunshine	17	17	—	—	124	2	34
Heights	18	11	2	5	34	34	24
Altona	16	10	3	3	35	13	23
Keilor City	15	10	1	4	49	21	21
Lechia							
Newport	15	10	—	5	29	22	20
Ardeer	17	8	2	7	46	34	18
Mossfield R.	17	4	1	10	18	55	11
Albion Rovers	17	2	1	13	12	38	6
Sunshine City	16	2	1	14	10	74	4
Sunbury	16	1	1	14	7	62	3
St. Albans	16	1	1	14	7	62	3

UNDER 14

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Albion Rovers	19	15	3	1	99	21	33
Lechia	19	13	4	2	74	14	30
Green Gully							
Ajax	17	11	3	3	50	16	25
St. Albans	18	11	3	4	66	28	25
Sunshine	19	11	2	6	62	26	24
Heights	19	8	6	5	64	20	22
Altona	18	8	1	9	48	37	17
St. Pauls	19	5	—	14	27	69	10
Mossfield R.	19	4	1	14	15	58	9
Kensington	18	3	—	15	24	85	8
Melton	18	—	—	18	1	152	0
Werrisbee	18	—	—	18	1	152	0

UNDER 15

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Sunshine City	17	12	4	1	86	19	28
Altona	16	12	3	1	59	13	27
Keilor-Austria	17	10	5	2	70	23	25
Mossfield R.	16	10	4	2	62	20	24
Sunshine							
Heights	16	10	4	4	54	32	24
Broadmeadows	18	7	1	10	43	51	15
Corio	17	4	1	12	23	50	12
Coburg	16	3	2	11	26	58	8
Central Altona	18	3	1	14	22	57	7
Sunbury	17	—	—	17	4	137	0

UNDER 16

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst.	Pts.
Geelong	15	12	—	3	64	11	24
Hamlyn Rangers	15	10	1	4	59	19	21
St. Pauls	14	10	—	4	46	16	20
St. Albans	14	10	—	4	41	26	20

Albion Rovers

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Lions Junior Soccer Club

Games played 29.9.74

Lions J.S.C. played their last game this weekend, and two sides clinched the runner up position.

The under tens finished the season as runners up, with a 2.1 win over Watsonia Moreland, who gave them a strong challenge for this position.

We are very pleased with this side, and hope for great things from our boys in the future.

The 10B were disappointed to lose to Keilor Austria, but it was a good game, with the score always very close, this season has been all uphill for this side, who never recovered from a late start, but they, and their coaches have stuck to the job, and can be pleased with their first season of soccer.

The under 12 side also finished as runners up, with a 3.0 win against St. Josephs. E. Matutine, G. Hynes, played well, as did many other boys in a side that is strong in all positions, a mid-season lapse possibly robbed them of higher honours, but they finished with a run of 8 unbeaten matches. A word of

praise also to St Josephs, who have struggled all season at the bottom, but never given up, better luck next season boys.

It was a good win for the under 14s at Preston, 2.0 the win over this strong side should lift our boys to a high position on the table. It has been good to see this once powerful side come back from a poor year last year, to challenge the top sides again. Also pleased to see Brendan Callaghan back amongst the goals.

The committee would like to thank all coaches and club helpers, for the work they have put in, in a very difficult and trying season.

Thank you,

G. Crossley

sec LIONS J.S.C.

VICTORIAN SOCCER

FEDERATION

STATE LEAGUE

(ROUND 22)

Saturday

28th September, 1974

George Cross (2) v.

Mooroolbark Utd. (0) R.

(1-0) Schintler Res.;

Fitzroy Utd. Alex. (1) v.

Polonia-Maribyrnong (2)

R. (0-2) Olympic Park;

Melbourne (0) v. Prahran

Slavia (1) R. (2-0) Middle

Park.

Sunday

29th September, 1974

Ringwood City Wilh. (3)

v. Hakoah-St. Kilda (3) R.

(2-0) Jubilee Park; Keilor

Austria (0) v. Footscray

JUST (3) R. (1-1)

Schintler Res.; Juventus

(1) v. South Melbourne

Hellas (3) R. (1-2)

Olympic Park.

FEDERATION CUP

—Quarter Finals

Saturday

28th September, 1974

Waverley City v.

Preston (2-3) R.;

Bayswater v. Park

Rangers (0-1) R.;

Frankston City v.

Brighton (2-1) R.;

Heidelberg v. Albion

Rovers (0-3).

HARRY ARMSTRONG

(RESERVE) CUP

Quarter Finals

PERSONALITY-



TONY NOY, SOCCER STAR and CLUB PRESIDENT

Anthony Theodorus Noy, middle child of a pastrycook and baker, was born on the 12th of January 1936, in the little town of Gennep in the province of Limberg, near the German border.

Tony had four brothers and one sister younger and four brothers and a sister older than himself.

His father disposed of took a job on the local newspaper. His father disposed of took a job on the local insurance, long before Tony was born.

He remained in that field until the economic position became so bad that the family pulled up roots and came to Australia in 1951.

Two brothers were already here by then.

SETTLED IN BENDIGO

The family joined the two brothers who had already settled in Bendigo and Tony's father went back to baking.

Tony had trained to become a schoolteacher, whilst in Holland and had one more year to go before qualifying.

Brother Peter had gone into the printing business in Sale and after working as a clerk for four months, Tony decided to go to him and served a concentrated apprenticeship of approximately 18 months.

There was no opportunity of playing Soccer in either Bendigo or Sale and this was something which Tony missed very much.

SENIOR AT FOURTEEN

Back in Holland, Tony showed early promise as a goal scoring inside forward and when only a few months over fourteen years of age, was included in the senior squad of second division side Vitesse.

Later he joined first division club N.E.C. and was set for a great Soccer future when the family decided to go to Australia.

Not unnaturally, Tony was reluctant to leave. Like most Dutch boys, he had kicked a ball almost since he could walk, and loved the game passionately.

When Tony decided to leave Sale and come to Melbourne, he hoped to join a Soccer team, but the union suggested that he would do better at his new trade if he had a spell in the country so he went to Tallangatta and

He scored the only goal of the game against a powerful Slavis side in a late round of the Dockerty Cup.

Slavia bought him from Preston and he had three good seasons with them before John Van Hoboken persuaded him to go to Wilhelmina.

He played five years with distinction, two of them as captain, before going back to Holland for six months and returning with six fine players.

Many readers will recall them.

Henry Van De Linde, Franz Van Balkon, Huub Vleugels, Leo Beerendonk who played in the Dutch military side and represented Victoria and Australia.

"Puck" Storimans who represented Holland in the "B" international side and lastly Theo Van Rooyen.

Tony represented Victoria many times and played for Australia against Heart of Midlothian, when the Scottish First Division side toured here.

A persistent back injury put him out of Soccer for half a season and when he made a comeback, he needed painkilling injections before every game.

As a result, he stayed out of the game for twelve months and joined Ringwood United as coach.

The following year he became player coach.

As coach, he took Ringwood to the head of Division Three, undefeated, in his first season.

FAMILY COMMITMENTS

Tony married a beautiful Irish girl, Irene, who presented him with a daughter, Sylvia, in 1965 and three years later, Monica was born.

Both girls have followed in mum's footsteps.

Mum is a "Tawny Owl" in the Brownie movement and both girls are in the Brownies.

Sylvia is a squash fanatic and also interested in basketball.

Tony went into business with brother Peter, as Noy Brothers, Printers of Ringwood and was out of Soccer for nearly five years, getting the business on a sound footing.

Ringwood United fell on hard times and the club which his brother-in-law, Leo Jensen, had helped to found, was in danger of collapsing.

Tony went along to the 1972 annual general meeting, to see if he could help and at Mike De Bruyckere's suggestion, was unanimously elected president for two years.

He had only intended helping for a few months, as he enjoyed playing golf and also raced a greyhound, but the deep rooted love of Soccer was reawakened and he stayed.

The club is relegated again this year, but will bounce back, for the spirit of friendship, co-operation and

determination abounds within it and Tony Noy's quiet wisdom and encouragement have had much to do with its development.

Their Home ground is in very poor state and the Ringwood Council is unhelpful, to say the least.

There are members of that council who are, even in these enlightened days, violently community value.

Ringwood haven't won a game at home since they defeated Green Gully, nearly two years ago and Tony believes that the boys have a "thing" about the ground, which puts them behind scratch every time they walk out on to

the playing area of Hubbard Reserve.

Perhaps the Ringwood Council may relent and give that famous Australian "Fair go" that we hear about and seldom experience.

JUNIORS THE KEY

After unfolding some of this remarkable man's playing experience and personal history, we asked him his views and thoughts on Soccer in Australia.

He feels that the standard and appeal of State League has gone down.

In direct proportion, Metropolitan standards have risen.

He sees an

improvement in Junior ranks and was quite firm in his belief that they hold the key to Soccer progress in this country.

He says that grounds and facilities will be more readily provided by councils, for Juniors than seniors and all clubs should concentrate on developing and training as many youngsters as possible.

He also believes that integration of resources and effort can only be for the ultimate good of Soccer in this State.

If the National League comes into being, the State League will collapse and to obviate this, unity should be a first priority.

QUIET AND THOUGHTFUL

Slightly built, quiet and thoughtful, Tony Noy is a man who loves Soccer, has graced many well known playing arenas and is giving of his experience and knowledge to help a fine club which has fallen on difficult times.

A gentleman both on and off the field, Tony is one of the few people we know, who no one has a wrong word to say about.

We hope and believe that he will give his considerable knowledge and organising talent to the sport for many years to come.

RINGWOOD UNITED CELEBRATE

There was no suggestion of defeatism or despondency at the Ringwood United 1974 Presentation Dinner Dance held at the "Clansman", Olinda, last Saturday night.

The enthusiasm and optimism in the club augurs well for next season's attempt to bounce straight back.

The "Clansman" was an ideal setting for the presentation.

Done out with strong Scottish emphasis, the gathering was entertained by Scottish

pipers William Thursby and Graham Cockerell.

Tartan dressed young ladies served a delightful dinner and the evening was a huge success. Twenty Dollar awards were made to George Liokos (first team) and Adrian Frost (seconds) for outstanding effort throughout the year.

Best Clubman award went to Adrian Frost. Most Improved player was Paul Janssen. Most dedicated player was Tony Bakker.

Counting for the Best and Fairest awards was done during the evening.

Adrian Frost won the Reserves with Tony Bakker runner up. Tony was elevated to first team status during the season, otherwise he may well have won the trophy.

Counting for the first

team was almost breathtaking in its excitement.

Eventually Falconer Ireland, Alf Bakker, George Liokos and Terry Casey were separated by only one vote.

Captain coach Falconer Ireland won on a count back with Alf Bakker runner up.

Ringwood have a very active ladies committee which gave great support to the club throughout the season.



Ringwood United captain coach Falconer Ireland receives the senior Best and Fairest Award from George Yelland.



Scottish pipers William Thursby (left) and Graham Cockerell (right), pipe trophy winners Tony Bakker, Adrian Frost, Falconer Ireland and Alf Bakker.



Adrian Frost receives his best clubman trophy from Ringwood president Tony Noy.

FEDERATION CUP QUARTER FINAL S28th September

WAVERLEY CITY-2, PRESTON-3.



Waverley's Dave Russell (3) heads clear as Ian Reid, of Preston, comes in to challenge in the quarter final, Federation Cup match at Sixth Avenue, last Saturday.



Waverley's Eddie Kane boots the ball into touch as Sunshine's Joe Palma, rushing in, averts his head.



George Maikousis of Sunshine jumps over the groping leg of Tommy Weir, as he streaks for goal.



Angy Martinov of Preston, goes to ground as he clears the ball from the feet of Waverley spearhead, Sammy Jordan.



Waverley keeper Newton Wynne flies high to tip a Tommy Fox Express over the angle of the cross bar, in the quarter final match at Sixth Avenue.

Frankston City Soccer Club COACH

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Remuneration and tenure of appointment to be negotiated. REPLIES IN WRITING TO:
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Frank Horvath of Waverley jumps high to chop down a cross ball as Sunshine's Paul Chresczyk challenges.

Geoff Gerrish (7) jumps, but fails to intercept Billy Ashton's (Park Rangers 9) flying header in the Federation Cup game at Wembley Park.

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Roy Slater (Park Rangers) boots the ball upfield as he just beats a determined tackle by Geoff Gerrish of Bayswater.



Alan Jackson, Bayswater spearhead twists in mid-air as he heads wide of Park Rangers centre half Paul Ginty.



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Pictured with Frankston Pines under 10s 1973 (league runners up this year as under 11s) are Frankston and Peninsula Junior Soccer Coaches Association members Harry Leenstra (left) and John Currie (right).

John Currie, who is secretary of the association, is an Australian who has developed an intense interest in soccer due to his two sons, Andrew and David taking up the sport three years ago.

Since then, John has passed coaching and referee courses and has become an active member of Pines club.

As secretary of the coaches, he is a tireless worker and some of our older officials could learn as much from John as he has from them.

John believes all teams, new and old,

should be given a chance to get to the top in the interest of Australian soccer. As an Aussie, Pines appears to him as it is a district side. He can visualise a great future for this club - enclosed ground etc and is prepared to help work for it. We need more like John!

The players are: Back row left to right: E. Cox, I. Mounsey, N. Sefton, M. Clausen, E. Emmons, R. McIntyre, L. Stenner, R. Vermuellen, R. Leenstra. Front Row: G. Bramhall, N. Bailey, G. Stone, M. Ross, P. Nugent, G. Howard, A. Currie. Harry Leenstra was featured in Soccer Week, 18.9.74.



Frankston and Peninsula Junior Soccer Coaches Association member, Bernie Van Der Draai is pictured here with the Frankston Pines Ladies soccer team of which he is manager-coach.

Bernie has filled a variety of roles during his 4 seasons at Pines. He has managed the seniors, coached the reserves also the under 8s and 9s. Now the ladies have first claim on him. Wife, Tina (1st left front row) is one of his proteges.

Bernie was born in Limburg, Holland where he played with Maurits F.C. and came to Australia 15 years ago. Son, Anthony is with the under 10s at Peninsula Club, Frankston.

Bernie works for Dominion Reinforcements, a division of Humes, at Moorabbin.

There the Domwire Soccer Club has recently been formed and Bernie is secretary and coach. The club has no shortage

of players and has the full backing of the management. It has been limbering up with practice games in recent weeks and has hopes of joining the Industrial League next year.

Bernie is also an official referee and as such is a valuable asset in the district.

Bernie Van Der Draai is a quiet, unassuming type of fellow who is nonetheless a real power in soccer circles.

Members of Frankston and Peninsula Junior Soccer Coaches Association are reminded of their monthly meeting on Monday 30th September at 8 p.m. at Frankston City Club rooms.

6 teenagers have recently passed a preliminary referees' course conducted by senior ref. Fred Royston of Karingal.

These boys are Russell Bexon, 15 and Stephen Darvall, 15 of Karingal club, Peter Wall, 15, Steven McLaughlin, 15 and David Henderson, 17.

It is good to see these youngsters starting off a refereeing career in such good hands.

Pictured here is the Beaumaris Primary School soccer team with their manager/coach David Macgregor.

David is a teacher at the school, where he first introduced soccer in 1973.

He gained his first insight into soccer whilst on studying leaving in the U.K. in 1972.

David coaches juniors at Sandringham Athletic Club so his knowledge in this field is a valuable asset to soccer. He is no mean athlete having won the State 800 metres title in 1969.

He has put a lot of time and effort into studying the game of soccer and has had assistance throughout from David McIntosh, ex Hakoah captain and now State League tribunal member and also from Brian Bexon. Alastair Webster has helped with refereeing at weekends

although David has had to take charge at many school games. Socceroo Jack Reilly has at David's instigation visited the school.

Beaumaris has only been beaten once this year in inter school games and has held its own weekend friendlies against such clubs as Brighton, Seaford, Springvale, Chelsea and Doveton.

David hopes to form a club in time to field a team or teams in next year's J.L.M.C. competition. He promises that Beaumaris will soon become a name to be reckoned with.



Players pictured are (Back row left to right) N. Owen, D. Chugg, A. Sperring, C. Wilmot, N. Adams, C. Milburn, T. Roberts. Front Row: K. Bexon, D. McIntosh (jnr), S. Timms, B. Chugg, C. Owen. Absent when photo taken I. Clarke (son of Jack, nephew of Ron) and N. Webster.

CROYDON CITY PRESENTATION NIGHT

The Dorset Gardens Hotel was the scene of a highly successful presentation night for Croydon City Soccer Club, last Friday, 27th September, 1974. Around two hundred guests wine, dined and danced the evening away.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Peter McCarthy, mayor and mayoress of Croydon.

The mayor is well-known as a news and sport reader and commentator with the A.B.C.

He spoke at length on the future of sport in Croydon and said the Council was very sympathetic to the needs and aspirations of Croydon City Soccer Club.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace were also present and Mr. Wallace, Secretary of the V.S.F. said that far from being a Cinderella sport, Soccer was played almost 100 years ago in Victoria. The State played N.S.W. in 1883. He went on to say (probably with tongue in cheek) that Soccer was International not a tribal game, like American gridiron and "that other game".

Secretary Geoff Pegg did a fine job as M.C. for the evening.

Trophy winners were:-

Third Team Best and Fairest: Mike Laurence; Runner Up, Andy Howie.

Under Twenty Best and Fairest: Mark Kidd, with a record 38 votes from 13 games; Runner Up, Kevin White.

Reserves Best and Fairest: David Doughty; Runner Up, Tom Kelly. First Team Best and Fairest: Tony Allsopp; Runner Up, John Howarth.

The reserves team all

receive pennants to mark their championship win in 2nd Division Reserves.

Coach Ted Dilworth received the Wal Elms Trophy for outstanding service to the club.

First Team Captain Jack McDaid coached the under 9 team to the championship and final of the JLMC cup.

Croydon under 8 team "stole" the championship from Doncaster Rovers when they defeated Waverley 4-0 last Saturday.

Robert Evans scored 2 goals and Graham Gall and Ian Marshall one each.

Doncaster only conceded 4 goals throughout the year, but were pipped by Croydon, by a point, for the title.

The boys who brought the under 8 flag to Croydon, are:-

Mark Goodenham, Ian Parker, Adam Dilworth, David Goodier, Warren Kidd, Steven Baddock, Teddy Leech-Heinz, Graham Gall, Robert Evans, Ian Marshall, Ian Bradnock, Andrew Callaghan, Darren Woods and Ian McComick.

Coach Ted Dilworth says there is a lot of very promising players for the future in Croydon's big Junior set-up.

During the presentation evening, the ladies social committee presented the treasurer with a cheque for \$600 and the junior committee with a cheque for \$200.



Cr. Peter McCarthy, Mayor of Croydon and coach Ted Dilworth are caught by photographer Graham Tie, reading "Soccer Week".



Mark Kidd, with a record 38 votes out of a possible 39 proudly holds the under 20 Best and Fairest trophy under the admiring gaze of Secretary Geoff Pegg and V.S.F. Secretary George Wallace.



Coach Ted Dilworth receives the special trophy from Wal Elms, mline host of the Dorset Gardens Hotel.

Tony Allsopp receives the Best and Fairest trophy from Cr. Peter McCarthy, Mayor of Croydon.